UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL

November 8, 2010

Minutes

Participants: K Klomparens (TGS), J Vinson (Nur), S Fletcher (COGS), J McCormick (for J. Wang) (COM), J Goddeeris (SSC), M Lawrence (LAW), S Ferguson-Miller (CNS), K Renn (COE), A Segall (COE), D Hardison (CAL), E Outslay (BUS), J Lonstein (SSC), S Griffis (BUS), R Mukkamala (EGR), A Lovgren (COGS), D Bronstein (CANR), J Funk (CVM), N Jackson (CNS), G Lang (CANR)

Guests:
Jim Pivarnik (Research Integrity Office), D Thorne, J Gerlach (Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics), J Lillie (Communication Arts & Sciences), T. Lovik (Linguistics and Languages), M Bresnahan (Communication Arts & Sciences), F Boster (Communicative Sciences Disorders), M Sedlak (College of Education), G Troia (College of Education), J Kashulik (College of Education), D Rayl (College of Music)

The meeting was opened with vice-chair Bronstein subbing for chairperson Funk who had a late class.

1. Approval of Agenda (approved)
2. Approval of October 11, 2010 minutes (approved)
3. Remarks from the Chairperson (postponed)
4. Remarks from the Graduate School (no remarks)
5. Remarks from COGS Representative. (Stefan Fletcher)

   COGS passed a resolution that all graduate students have an opportunity to be pooled in the health insurance plan of teaching assistants and research assistants, and that the university self-insure this plan. COGS believes that the university can save a substantial amount of money by self-insuring the program.

   COGS sees a need for more opportunities for child care and would like to see the university establish an endowment for child care.

   The graduate student academic conference will take place March 25, 2011

6. Reports of Subcommittees (no reports)
7. Annual Report of the Research Integrity Officer. Jim Pivarnik discussed and took questions about his annual report, which had been posted for UGC members at the Angel website.

8. Request to establish a Master of Arts degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science in the biomedical Laboratory diagnostics Program. APPROVED
Chairperson Funk took the chair at this point of the meeting.

9. *Request to establish a linked Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degree in Communication in the Department of Communication. APPROVED

10. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Communicative Sciences and Disorders in the Department of Communicative Sciences and Disorders. APPROVED

11. *Request to change the requirements in the Master of Arts degree in German Studies in the Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages. APPROVED

12. *Request to change the requirements in the Doctor of Philosophy degree in German Studies in the Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages. APPROVED

13. *Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the Deaf Education Area of Emphasis in the Master of Arts degree in Special Education in the Department of Counseling Educational Psychology and Special Education. APPROVED

14. *Request to establish a Graduate Specialization in Literacy and Language Instruction in the Department of Teacher Education. APPROVED

15. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Rehabilitation Counseling in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education. APPROVED

16. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Teaching and Curriculum in the Department of Teacher Education. APPROVED

17. *Request the change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Composition in the College of Music. APPROVED

18. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Education in the College of Music. APPROVED

19. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Piano Pedagogy in the College of Music. APPROVED

20. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Performance in the College of Music. (one vote opposed) APPROVED
21. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Conducting in the College of Music. (one vote opposed) APPROVED

Regarding 20 and 21, there was some discussion about whether one course each in three different languages was sufficient to accomplish the goal.

22. *Request to establish a Linked Bachelor of Science Degree in computer Engineering and Master of Science Degree in Computer Science in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering. APPROVED

23. *Request to establish a Linked Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering and Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. APPROVED

(an inconsistency was noted in the description of the nine credits that may be used for both the bachelors and masters degrees, which will be corrected)

24. Roundtable. Chairperson Funk returned the discussion to reorganization of the basic biomedical science departments, discussed at the last meeting. Some new materials have been posted to the UGC Angel cite and others are coming.

Justin McCormick, associate dean for research in COM and sitting in for member Wang, made some remarks from the COM faculty perspective.

It was decided that the next step for the UGC would be the appointment of a subcommittee to consider the matter, focusing on implications for graduate studies, and report to the full committee prior to the next full committee meeting. Members of the subcommittee are Dan Bronstein, Sheila Ferguson-Miller, James Jackson, and John Wang.

25. Adjournment