Minutes of the Meeting of the University Committee on Graduate Studies
April 6th, 2015, Chittenden Hall, 1st Floor Conference Room

Participants: Karen Klomparens (Grad), Sandra Spoelstra (CON), Jeremy Francis (Law), Liz Gardner (CANR), Emily Bank (COGS/HALE), Zsofia Szendrei (CANR), Jonathan Reed, Ferguson Miller (Nat Sci), Tom Berding (CAL), Thomas Howard (for Cody Mejeor), Sudha Sankar (COGS), David Weliky (CNS), Dan Clark (COGS/CNS/COE), Kathy Petroni (for Chris Hogan, Broad), Lynne Goldstein (SS), Eric Strauss (SS), Ed Outslay (BUS), Safoi Babana-Hampton (CAL), Rich Hallgren (COM), Guofang Li (ED)

Guests: Ailene Sierra (COM), Evelyn Oka (ED), T. Wehrwein (CON), Melinda Wilkins (CVM), R. Wideman (BUS), D. Foran (SS), Millenbah (CANR), ANOTHER COM PERSON

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm, and the agenda was reviewed and approved-motion, and second, and all votes in favor.

1. Approval of Agenda as distributed-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

2. Approval of March 16, 2015 Minutes-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

3. Remarks from the Chairperson (Strauss): this is the last meeting of the year, have a great summer.

4. Remarks from the Dean of the Graduate School (Klomparens): update from 2006 Graduate Council, on Post-Comp 1-credit would be full-time enrollment; now there is a request from CON to move DNP students to candidacy even though not PhD students. Will align with Music and Education department to assure is treated the same across the entire campus. Dean Klomparens reported she has attended 136 UCGS committee meetings, and as this is her last meeting prior to retirement. She complimented committee members on improving policies and graduate programs. She is transitioning to Senior Advisor to the Provost 25% of the time, to move some of her projects forward. An Interim Dean will be appointed; and an internal search will occur in the fall of 2015.

5. Remarks from the COGS Representative (Bank): Thanks to Dean Klomparens for what she has done over the years. The new Executive Board was elected, and the new President is Sudha Sankar, who is at the meeting today. COGS hosted a Diversity Workshop last month; and are considering another next year.

6. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees (Curriculum and Program Review Committee; Academic Research Policy Subcommittee; and Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee) have completed their work for the year, and there were no reports.

7. Request to establish in Lyman Briggs College, in collaboration with the MSU college of Osteopathic Medicine, a 3+4 Option for selected Lyman Briggs College students to earn a baccalaureate degree in a shorter periods of time, over three years-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

8. Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Adult Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist in the College of Nursing-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

9. Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Nurse Practitioner in the College of Nursing-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

10. Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree in Nursing Practice-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.
11. Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Nursing to read after modification to 1a(3) change item 3) to the following: Bachelor’s or (not and) master’s degree in nursing -A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

12. Request to change the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Digital Humanities in the College of Arts and Letters-No motion and moved to the September 2015 agenda.

13. Request to change the requirements for the Educational Specialist degree in School Psychology in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

14. Request to change the award type of the Graduate Specialization in Environmental Toxicology to Graduate Certificate in Environmental Toxicology in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources; and the certificate will remain in place-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

15. Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Food Safety in the College of Veterinary Medicine-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

16. Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Forensic Science in the School of Criminal Justice-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

17. Request to change the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Human Resource Management and Development in the Department of Management-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

18. Request to change the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Managing Teams in the Department of Management-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

19. Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Management, Strategy, and Leadership in the Department of Management-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

20. Request to change the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Strategic Management in the Department of Management-A motion to approve, and second occurred, and all votes in favor.

21. Roundtable

The meeting adjourned at: 3:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary