

APPROVED 10/10/11
Minutes of the Meeting of the University Graduate Council
September 12, 2011, 3:00 pm, 113 Linton Hall

Participants: Karen Klomparens (Grad School), Judith Vinson (NUR), Greg Lang (CANR), Stan Griffis (BUS), LeighAnn Jordan (COGS) Jeremy Laukka (COM), Debra Hardison (CAL), Robert Caldwell (CSS), Joe Walther (CAS), Derek Polischuk (MUS), Stefan Fletchr (COGS/EAD), Peter Youngs (CoEd), Kristen Penn (CoEd), John Goddeeris (SSC), Michael Lawrence (LAW), Shelagh Ferguson-Miller (CNS)

Guests: W. Strampel (COM), C. Patterson (CVM), M. Rif (CHM), J. Zhao (ESPP), P. Ressler (EEBB), P. Pausell (CAL), S. Gass (CAL), D. Prestel (CAL), C. Taggart (MUS), J. Dirx (CoEd), K. Shaw (BUS), E Strauss (SSC)

Attendance:

1. Approval of the Agenda **Approved**
2. Approval of April 11, 2011 Minutes. (Attachment) **Approved**
3. Remarks from the Chairperson. (Goddeeris)
 - Welcome and Introductions **All University Committee on Graduate Studies (UCGS) formally UGC (University Graduate Council) introduced themselves.**
 - Sub-committee chairs and committee rosters **Remarks from Chairperson Dr. Goddeeris regarding the 3 sub-committees of UCGS [Curriculum and Program Review Sub-committee; Academic Research Policy Subcommittee; and Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Sub-committee] and provided an opportunity for each UCGS member to submit their name to serve on one of the three sub-committees and other UCGS officer positions. This is considered important work to streamline curricular and policy issues for full UCGS review.**
 - Volunteer for UCGS voting member of University Council **Remarks from Chairperson Goddeeris and Dean Klomparens inviting volunteers for this role.**
 - UCGC Procedures **Chairperson Goddeeris distributed UCGS Procedures regarding organization of monthly UCGS meetings.**
4. Remarks from the Graduate School. (Klomparens)

Role of UCGS (By-Laws for Academic Governance) Dean Klomparens reviewed role of UCSG and University Modes of Participation for faculty and student participation in Academic Governance [Consultations, Advisory, Shared Responsibility, and Delegated Authority].

Modes of participation

5. Remarks from the COGS Representative. **Stefan Fletcher**, current COGS president, welcomed new UCGS members and updates the committee on the most recent work of COGS.
6. *UCGS “Operating procedures” (Goddeeris & Klomparens) UCGS operating procedures were reviewed from distribution of procedures that were adopted in September 2005 and approved through 2010. The UCGS membership approved these same operating procedures for 2011-2012 academic year.
7. *Sub-committee Chairs/Officers Ballot (Vote) **Officers Chairperson John H. Goddeeris**, Vice Chair **Kristen Renn** and Secretary for UCGS were voted by UCGS members for the 2011-2012 academic year.

8. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees and projects (Goddeeris & Klomparens) Further discussion and clarification of sub-committees of UCGS and possible related projects. See below part of the discussion topics.

Curriculum and Program Review Committee: Projects for this subcommittee are review of “minor” changes in curriculum requests to allow for more time for substantive discussions during UCGS monthly meetings.

Academic Research Policy Subcommittee: Projects for this subcommittee are review of potential policies that affect faculty related to graduate education and mentoring, e.g. institution of the term “graduate faculty” and the meaning of such a role, etc.

Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee: Projects for subcommittee are to review instruction, employment and/or mentoring of graduate assistants and graduate students, e.g. MSU-GEU collective bargaining topics.

9. Request to change the name of the **Department of Internal Medicine** to the **Department of Internal Medicine, Emergency Medicine and International Medicine**. **Approved with one dissent.** Chairperson **Goddeeris** will send an advisory communication to Provost **Kim Wilcox** regarding discussion in UCGS.

10. *Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree in Veterinary Medicine** in the College of Veterinary Medicine. **Approved**

11. *Request to establish a **Graduate Certificate** program in **Counterfeit Pharmaceuticals** in the College of Human Medicine. **Approved**

12. *Request to change the requirements for the **Dual Major in Ecology, Evolutionary Biology and Behavior** in the College of Natural Science. **Approved**

13. *Request to change the requirements in the **Interdepartmental Graduate Specialization in Ecology, Evolutionary Biology and Behavior** in the College of Natural Science. **Approved**

14. *Request to change the requirements for the **Graduate Specialization in Environmental Science and Policy** in the College of Social Science. **Approved**

15. *Request to establish a **Master of Arts** degree in **Foreign Language Teaching** in the College of Arts and Letters. **Approved**

16. *Request to establish a Linked **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Linguistics** and **Master of Arts Degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages** in the Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages. **Approved after revision of page 4 distributed to UCGS.**

17. *Request to establish a Linked **Bachelors of Arts Degree in Marketing** and **Master of Science Degree in Marketing Research** in the Department of Marketing. **Approved after suggestions to clarify similar graduation requirements for Bachelors of Arts Degree in Marketing.**

18. *Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science** degree in **Marketing Research** in the Department of Marketing. **Approved**

19. *Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Musical Arts** degree in **Music Performance** 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. **Approved**

21. *Request to establish a **Graduate Certificate** program in **Teaching and Learning in Postsecondary Education** in the Department of Educational Administration. **Approved**

22. *Request to change the requirements for the **Master in Urban and Regional Planning** degree in **Urban and Regional Planning** in the School of Planning, Design and Construction. **Approved**

23. Roundtable **No items came forward.**

24. Adjournment.

*Denotes Action Items.