Graduate Council Minutes
May 16, 2012
Alumni Room, Davies Center

Members Present: Wick (Chair), Amdahl, Anderson, Baker, Erffmeyer, Havholm, Hoadley, Pollitz, Stadler, Sutton, Zinser

Guests: M. Kolis

The meeting was called to order by Dean Michael Wick at 3:04 p.m.

1. It was noted that one minor revision had been made to the minutes of April 18, 2012. However, it was determined that there were not enough voting members present to have a quorum to vote.

2. Announcements:
   - Dean Wick announced that his office will be investigating the possibilities for a continuous enrollment fee, and we will continue to pursue an electronic thesis submission. Please contact the Office of Graduate Studies if you have any other ideas or concerns that we should be addressing.
   - It was recommended that we look into financial aid issues with graduate students, specifically why graduates taking u/g prerequisites are not covered by financial aid. Some of these students are going elsewhere to take these courses.
   - Since we are now accepting transfer credits from Globe University (which is not regionally accredited by HLC), the Director of Admissions suggested that we may want to discuss whether we are willing to recognize degrees from nationally accredited institutions for entrance to our graduate program, rather than holding to our “regionally accredited” degree requirement? Dean Wick agreed to add this topic to our radar.
   - The Program Coordinator from CSD asked if a solution had been found for allowing undergraduate seniors to take split-level courses and receive graduate credit and financial assistance for these credits. Dean Wick noted that if the student was already enrolled as a full-time undergraduate (12 crs.) that financial aid would not be an issue (since they would be at the plateau for tuition). However, since this is not the case with many of the students, Dean Wick said he would continue to investigate our options.

Dean Wick announced that we did not have enough voting members present to have a quorum, so we would not be able to vote on the proposed online graduate certificate in adult learning or the draft letter of the Nursing Program Review by the Graduate Council.

Members present were asked about a good time to hold a special meeting of the Graduate Council so these items could be considered and voted on as soon as possible.

Meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Amdahl
Secretary to the Graduate Council
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