Graduate Council Minutes
March 25, 2009
Alumni Room, Davies Center

Graduate Council Members Present: Phillips (Chair), Amdahl, Anderson, Christian, Dempsey, Jadack, Mann, Minderman, Moore, Peterson, Quinn, Shaddock, Solberg, Stadler, Sutton

The meeting was called to order by Dean Andrew Phillips at 3:04 p.m.

1. The minutes of March 25, 2009, were approved as written.

2. Paul Shepherd from Housing and Residence Life spoke about the possibility of creating a Graduate Student “Living Community.” Housing is interested in working together to create a new living community of graduate students. If we decide that we are interested in pursuing, we just need to contact Paul.
   - Thomas Hall and Chancellors Hall are the only units that are open year round. Paul distributed a handout with a few details about each unit.
   - Housing would need to know in advance so they could set aside a “block” of rooms or apartments (Chancellors) specifically for full or part-time graduate students.
   - It was mentioned that if housing would expand in the future that they may consider a living area for adults – for graduate, non-traditional students, and faculty.
   - The idea of setting up a block of rooms in the hotel was also mentioned, but the University tends to only contract with the hotel during the fall semester since more dorm rooms become available for the spring semester.
   - There was some concern expressed of having undergraduate and graduate students housed together.
   - Children are not allowed to live in on-campus housing.

3. Chip Eckardt, Jeri Hale (CIBER), Kathy Sahlhoff, and Sue Moore discussed how the CampS Project Team is trying to solve the “unmatched credits” issue (graduate students taking u/g courses and u/g students taking graduate courses). A handout was distributed to explain the process. In PeopleSoft, students will have a “primary career” as either an undergraduate or graduate student, and if they want to take some u/g and graduate coursework then they will need to complete a separate form to have a secondary career created for them. Currently, the tuition/fees policy will remain the same, which is that u/g students pay u/g tuition and graduate students pay graduate tuition.

Due to a fire alarm in Davies Center, the meeting was abruptly adjourned at 3:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Amdahl
Secretary to the Graduate Council
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*Copies of the handouts distributed at GC meetings may be obtained from the Office of Graduate Studies.*