Executive Committee  
of the  
Graduate Faculty Council

M I N U T E S

May 6, 2009
Whetten Graduate Center – Giolas Conference Room
3:00 PM

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:08 P.M. Vice President Suman Singha presided.

2. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the meeting of April 1, 2009.

3. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the list of Plans of Study and Dissertation Proposals.

4. The group received a proposal to implement a Graduate Certificate Program in Positive Behavior Support, which will be considered at the next meeting. It was agreed that additional information will requested concerning the need for such a certificate program.

5. New Business --

There was discussion concerning the following:

• Appropriate steps to take to address proposed modifications to the academic calendar
• Invite Jean Main to meetings once or twice each year for updates concerning developments in financial aid and for general discussion
• The newest iteration of the University By-Laws
• The ongoing work of the committee currently reviewing the functioning of the Graduate School
• The work of the group that currently is assessing the effectiveness and productivity of graduate degree programs
• The possibility of developing a listserv so that members of the Graduate Faculty Council can communicate among themselves

6. It was agreed not to call a meeting of the Graduate Faculty Council for May 20, 2009.

7. Adjournment was at 4:50 PM.

Present: W. Abikoff, A. Albert, J. Barnes-Farrell, J. G. Clifford, S. De Guise, S. Hewett, S. Singha (Vice President), J. Henkel (Associate Vice Provost), L. Klobutcher (Associate Dean), and T. Peters (Program Director)

Respectfully submitted,

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