Executive Committee
of the
Graduate Faculty Council

MINUTES

December 2, 2009
Whetten Graduate Center – Giolas Conference Room
4:00 PM

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:03 P.M. Associate Dean Lee A. Aggison, Jr. presided.

2. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the meeting of November 4, 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. L. Aggison spoke about discussions that he and Associate Vice Provost and Director of the Honors Program Lynne Goodstein have had concerning the development of integrated bachelor’s/master’s degree programs. There was considerable discussion.

5. A request to approve the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading option for ARE 6495 – Graduate Research Seminar was considered. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the request.

6. A request to approve the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading option for PSYC 5799 – Research Team in Social Psychology was considered. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the request.

7. A proposal to implement a dual M.P.H./Pharm.D. degree program was received for consideration at the next meeting.

8. A proposal to change the name of existing Area of Concentration Agronomy under Field of Study Plant Science to Turfgrass Science and Agronomy was introduced at the last meeting. A question had been raised at that time concerning the exact wording of the intended new name of the Concentration. That question was resolved – the intended wording is as indicated above. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the proposed change of name.

9. It was decided not to call a meeting of the Graduate Faculty Council for December 16, 2009.

10. L. Aggison updated members concerning the work of the group reviewing the policies and procedures sections of the Graduate Catalog, the formation of a committee to look into Graduate Certificate Programs, and Responsible Conduct in Research.

11. Adjournment was at 5:11 PM.

Present: W. Abikoff, M. Aindow, A. Albert, J. G. Clifford, S. De Guise, L. Aggison (Associate Dean), L. Klobutcher (Associate Dean), and T. Peters (Program Director)

Respectfully submitted,

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