Attachment 1

**Graduate Faculty Council**

***M I N U T E S***

March 27, 2013

Hugh Clark Meeting Room -- Whetten Graduate Center, Room 200

3:00 P.M.

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:03 P.M. Moderator J. Garry Clifford presided.

2. It was **moved,** seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2013.

3. S. Berisa reported for the Graduate Student Senate (GSS). He noted that the GSS is: considering the addition of a member to its

Executive Committee for professional development, hosting guest speaker Jorge Cham soon, co-sponsoring an honors program

with the Graduate School and Psi Chi, planning to hold elections in April.

4. Elizabeth Conklin, Associate Vice President – Office of Diversity and Equity, gave a Power Point presentation concerning a

draft of a new University policy against discrimination, harassment, and inappropriate romantic relationships. Discussion

followed.

5. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to adopt the following resolution:

AUTHORIZATION TO CONFER GRADUATE DEGREES --

It is recommended that the degrees of Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Dental

Science, Master of Engineering, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Music, Master of Professional Studies, Master of

Public Administration, Master of Public Health, Master of Science, Master of Social Work, Doctor of Audiology,

Doctor of Education, Doctor of Musical Arts, Doctor of Nursing Practice, Doctor of Physical Therapy, and Doctor of Philosophy and be conferred upon those candidates who have satisfied all requirements and have been duly certified by the Graduate School for award of said degrees throughout the conferral periods ending in May, August, and December 2013.

6. Members considered the fully-revised draft of the *Scholarly Integrity Policy*, which was discussed in detail at the 2/20/13

meeting. Members agreed to a few additional minor edits. It then was **moved**, seconded, and **passed** without dissent on a voice

vote to approve the completely-revised document. K. Holsinger noted that it now will go to the Board of Trustees for its

consideration.

7. K. Holsinger presented for consideration a draft of a new version of the Graduate School’s *Complaint Resolution Procedure*. L.

Aldridge asked how the *Complaint Resolution Procedure* and the role of University’s new Ombuds person would be expected to

interact. Holsinger noted that this interaction will take shape as the new Ombuds office is established. There was further

discussion, following which Holsinger agreed to incorporate new edits and distribute it again for review and a vote at the April

meeting.

8. K. Holsinger presented for consideration draft revisions to the *Termination, Dismissal, and Hearing Procedures* section of

the ***Graduate Catalog***. There was discussion. Holsinger agreed to incorporate new edits and distribute it again for review and

a vote at the April meeting.

9. K. Holsinger and T. Peters spoke about proposed draft revisions to the *Standards and Degree Requirements* section of the

***Graduate Catalog*** introduced at the 2/20/13 meeting. It was agreed that discussed edits would be incorporated and that the

revised document will be distributed again for review and a vote at the April meeting.

10. ***New business –*** There was discussion about the entry-level stipend for graduate assistants, particularly with respect to the need

for it be more competitive with those offered by our peer and aspirant institutions. It also was noted that 25% of the cost of

Work Study now will be borne by the employing department.

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11. K. Holsinger announced that graduate assistantships now will have to be initiated by an academic department and that there will

be changes in student health insurance. He further noted that T. Peters will be retiring this summer.

12. Adjournment was at 4:35 PM.

***Present:***  L. Aldridge, A. Anderson, D. Atkin, J. Barnes-Farrell, R. Bass, A. Basu, JC Beall, S. Berisa, P. Britner, H. Brody,

A. Calabrese, Z. Chi, J.G. Clifford, J. Cole, K. Dennis, M. Donaldson, M.A. Doyle, G. Dunne, G. Elliott, M-L. Fernandez,

M. Gomes, T. Kehle (alt), W. Kraemer, E. Markus, P. McCauley (alt), L. Puddington, S. Rajasekaran (alt), H. Read (alt),

K. Ryker, K. Segerson, F. Shah, W. Simonsen (alt), R. Solomon (alt), M. Urban, K. Venkitanarayanan,P. Vlahos (alt),

J. Vokoun; S. Nunnally (Executive Committee); K. Holsinger (Interim Vice Provost and Dean), B. Kream (Associate

Dean – Health Center), and T. Peters (Program Director)

***Speaker:*** Elizabeth Conklin, *Associate Vice President – Office of Diversity and Equity*

Respectfully submitted,

*Thomas B. Peters*

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