# **Graduate Council Meeting October 20, 2009**

Attendees: Matthew Aiello-Lammens (GSO), Estie Arkin (Applied Mathematics and Statistics), Ruth Ben-Zvi (Economics), Allegra de Laurentiis (Philosophy), Alicia DeRosalia (Graduate School), Dante Di Ianni (Graduate Student Advocate), Michael Kifer (Computer Science), Sara Lipton (History), Kent Marks (Graduate School), Lawrence Martin (Dean, Graduate School), Anne McElroy (SOMAS), Brian Phillips (Geoscience), A. Laurie Shroyer (Preventative Medicine), Marcia Simon (Dental School), Arleen Steckel (Nursing School), Charles Taber (Political Science and Associate Dean, Graduate School), Jacobus Verbaarschot (Chair, Physics & Astronomy), Elizabeth Vink (GSO)

Absent Members: Elaine Hoffman (Library), Susan O'Leary (Psychology), Susan Scheckel (English),

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the Graduate Council Chair, Jacobus Verbaarschot.

#### **Meeting opened with New Business:**

- Master's Program Initiative / Tuition Revenue Sharing
  - Mary Remmler (VP Budget Coordinator for Finance) joined the meeting at 12:30 to give a presentation and answer questions on the Master's Program initiative. This initiative will enable departments who have opportunities to create or to enlarge master's programs to receive a predictable proportion of any additional revenue from tuition.
  - Mary and Lawrence have been meeting with the Graduate Program Chairs individually to discuss this in more specific detail for each department.

#### Approval of minutes

Minutes were approved from the 10/06/09 meeting.

#### **Chair's Report**

- Discussed Graduate Program Directors' Retreat, which was held last Friday, 10/16. Topics discussed include:
  - o TA lines
  - o Charles Taber talked about changes to orientation
- Discussed Coordinating Council Meeting, which was held yesterday, 10/19
- Discussed concerns about Brent Lindquist's presentation on opening a campus in S. Korea; will
  get his presentation to review more closely and readdress at next meeting

# **Old Business**

No Old Business to Report

### **Additional New Business**

- Proposal for MA degree in Biology
  - o ACTION: Jac to talk to them about updates that Council recommends and invite them after receiving a revised proposal.

# **Dean's Report**

No report - Dean had to leave early.

# Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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