Graduate Council Meeting February 17, 2010

<u>Attendees:</u> Matthew Aiello-Lammens (GSO), Estie Arkin (Applied Mathematics and Statistics), Allegra de Laurentiis (Philosophy), Alicia DeRosalia (Graduate School), Elaine Hoffman (Library), Michael Kifer (Computer Science), Anne McElroy (SoMAS), Susan O'Leary (Psychology), Susan Scheckel (English), Jacobus Verbaarschot (Graduate Council Chair), Elizabeth Vink (GSO)

<u>Absent Members:</u> Ruth Ben-Zvi (Economics), Dante Di Ianni (Graduate Student Advocate), Sara Lipton (History), Kent Marks (Graduate School), Lawrence Martin (Dean, Graduate School), 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)

The next Graduate Council meeting was initially scheduled for Wednesday, February 10th but got canceled due to snow. It was rescheduled for Wednesday, February 17th and called to order at 9:08 a.m. by the Chair, Jacobus Verbaarschot.

Approval of minutes

Minutes were approved from the 1/27/10 meeting with minor revisions.

Chair's Report

- Estie Arkin agreed to serve on the Academic Review Committee.
- The Chair spoke to Michael Schwartz about TA lines being cut.
- Discussed China interviews approximately 1 in 5 acceptance rate

Old Business

Chapin Lecture Series

- o Jose de Jesus Jaime was present and submitted a draft proposal for "The Graduate Council Lectures at Chapin".
- Overall, the Council supports this project. The one recommendation made was to have a faculty member oversee the project and report to the Council at the end of each semester.

Revised GIS Certificate proposal

- Michael Sperazza and Mary Pearl were present to discuss and answer the Council's questions.
- o Proposal needs to be revised and presented to Council again before being approved.

New Business

• Ran out of time before New Business could be discussed.

Dean's Report

■ No report – Dean was unable to attend meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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