The Graduate Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the Sam Ingram Building. Philip Phillips presided as Chair.

I. Call to order

Members present:
Cosette Collier, Teresa Davis, Kevin James, Saleh Sbenaty, Jackie Eller, Mary Lou Veal, Jane Marcellus and Medha Sarkar

Ex-Officio members present:
Peter Cunningham, Interim Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

II. Announcements

A. Dr. Philip Phillips, Chair

B. Dr. Peter Cunningham, Interim Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Cunningham stated that the new degree proposals for Health and Human Performance are still at TBR. The new degree proposals are M.S. in Health Behavior and Promotion, M.S. in Teaching Physical Education and M.S. in Leisure and Sport Management.

Dr. Cunningham also posed the question of whether there should be a Scholarship Committee for the Graduate Studies scholarships. This item will be placed on the agenda for the April Graduate Council meeting.

The Department of Computer Information Systems is proposing the creation of a new Master of Science degree in Information Systems. The letter of intent has previously been approved by the Graduate Council. A request will be made to TBR to change the degree and title designation from M.S. in Accounting and Information Systems to Master in Accountancy (MAcc).

A motion was made to accept the proposal to establish a Master of Science degree in Information Systems. The motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to accept the change in degree and title designation from M.S. in Accounting and Information Systems to Master in Accountancy. This motion is contingent upon the establishment of the M.S. in Information Systems. The motion was seconded and carried.
III. Approval of minutes from last meeting—February 27, 2008

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the February 27, 2008 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review
   Dr. Mary Lou Veal, Chair
   
   • Consent Calendar attached
   
   • A motion was made to accept the consent calendar. The motion was seconded and carried.

B. Student Affairs and Travel
   Dr. Kevin James, Chair

   • Dr. James reported the Graduate Program Enhancement Budget now has a remaining balance of $3,870.

C. Policies and Procedures
   Dr. Jane Williams, Chair

   • No report

D. Graduate Program Review
   Dr. Teresa Davis, Chair

   • Thesis and Dissertation Compensation Proposals were distributed to the Council. Dr. Eller noted that the banking option was the most preferred method of compensation. The Program Review committee will now pass their recommendations on to the Polices and Procedures committee. The matter will be discussed further at the next Graduate Council meeting.

E. Catalog Committee
   Dr. Jackie Eller, Chair

   • Dr. Eller stated that the 2007-08 Graduate Catalog Surveys have gone out. Graduate faculty is encouraged to complete the survey and return it to Dr. Jackie Eller at jaeller@mtsu.edu.
V. **Old Business**

- CGS website evaluation by the Ad Hoc committee

  Dr. Saleh Sbenaty noted that efforts are being made to increase the appeal and functionality of the website. Dr. Sbenaty is working with the committee and Rick Henegar, Director of Graduate Admissions, to make the CGS website more dynamic and engaging.

VI. **New Business**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Hawkins, Recording Secretary
Graduate Faculty Membership

**Adjunct**
Wayne Moore / History
Karen Jones / Dyslexic Studies
Gregory Meyjes / Mass Communications

**Associate**
Tommy Bynum / History
Chad Noggle / Psychology
Christian Haseleu / Recording Industry
Daniel Pfeifer / Recording Industry
John Dougan / Recording Industry
James Piekarski / Recording Industry

**Full Initial**
DeAnna Kempf / Management and Marketing
George Benz / Biology
Cosette Collier / Recording Industry
Linda Gilbert / Educational Leadership
James Simmons / Music

**Full Reappointment**
William Langston / Psychology
Ronald Ferrara / Aerospace
Tracey Ring / Elementary and Special Education
Stephen Wright / Biology
Ahad Nasab / Engineering Technology and Industrial Studies
Marc Barr / Electronic Media
Ralph Butler / Computer Science
Edd Applegate / Journalism
Matthew Klukowski / Biology
Jill Austin / Management and Marketing
Thomas Tang / Management and Marketing
Ron Moser / Management and Marketing
Paul Fischer / Recording Industry
Wayne Rosing / Biology

**Doctoral Initial**
Kathleen Burriss/ Elementary and Special Education

**Doctoral Reappointment**
Gary Wulfsberg / Chemistry
Duane Graddy / Economics and Finance
Curriculum Changes

Music

Proposed New Course(s)
MUHL 4140/5140 Music of the Middle East, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008

Accounting

Proposed New Course(s)
ACTG 6530 Taxation of Pass-Through Entries, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008

Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor, Emphasis
Master of Science in Accounting and Information Systems
Create Specialization in Taxation, effective Fall 2008

Other
ACTG 6550 U.S. International Accounting
Change prerequisite from ACTG 4530/5530 and 4540/5540 to ACTG 4550 or consent of instructor, effective Fall 2008

Business Communication and Entrepreneurship

Inactivation of Course(s)
BCEN 5210 Innovations and Problems in Accounting, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008
BCEN 5800 Administrative Office Simulation, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008
Health and Human Performance

Course Number/Title Change

EXSC 6830 Measurement in Exercise and Sport -- title change to Measurement in Exercise Science, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008

Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor, Emphasis

Master of Science in Exercise Science

Thesis Option

Currently reads—Nine hours of electives selected in consultation with advisor.
Revise to read-----Nine hours of electives selected in consultation with advisor. Six hours must have an EXSC prefix.

Non-thesis Option

Currently reads—Twelve hours of electives selected in consultation with advisor.
Revise to read-----Twelve hours of electives selected in consultation with advisor. Six hours must have an EXSC prefix.

Changes to be effective Summer 2008

Mathematical Sciences

Course Number/Title Change

STAT 6160 Mathematical Statistics
Change name to Advanced Mathematical Statistics I, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2009

STAT 6180 Statistical Inference – title change to Advanced Mathematical Statistics II, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2008

Changes in Credit Hours

STAT 6020 Introduction to Biostatistics – change credit hours from 1 hour to 3 hours, effective Fall 2008

Change in Admission to Program (Major)

Master of Science in Mathematical Science
Reduce the required number of reference letters from three to two, effective Fall 2008
**Recording Industry**

**Change in Credit Hours**

MRAT 6360  
Graduate Internship – change credit hours from 1-3 hours to 3-6 hours, effective Summer 2008

**Women’s Studies**

**Letter of Intent for Graduate Certificate in Women’s And Gender Studies**, effective Fall 2009

**Biology**

**Inactivation of Course**

BIOL 6630  
Biological Literature  
Remove as a requirement for the MS degree, effective Fall 2008

**Other**

BIOL 6650  
Seminar  
Change meeting time from one to two hours in length, effective Fall 2008

**Change in Credit Hours**

BIOL 6660  
Seminar  
Change credit hours from one to two credit hours, effective Fall 2008

**Engineering Technology and Industrial Studies**

**Change in Credit Hours**

CMT 5320  
Architectural Computer-Aided Drafting and Design  
Reduce the number of credit hours from four to three, effective Fall 2008
Proposed New Course(s)

SPED 6360  Transition Education and Services for Exceptional Learners, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2009