Graduate Council Minutes
September 27, 2002

The Graduate Council met at 2:00 P.M. in the President's Conference Room. Chair Ellen Slicker presided.

I. Call to order

Members present: Drs. Frank Bailey, Thomas Berg, John Bodle, Jackie Eller, Bichaka Fayissa, David Foote, Harold Henn/Student, Mary Hoffschwelle, Tom Hutchison, Terrence Lee, Phil Mathis, Norman Weatherby, Barbara Young

Ex-officio member present: Dean Donald Curry
Others present: Ronda Sullivan/Graduate Studies

II. Approval of Minutes - August 30, 2002

III. Announcements

A. Dean Donald Curry

(1) Low Producing Programs - there are several graduate programs on the low producing list and MTSU will defend retention of all. An extensive report is currently being produced to send forward to TBR.

IV. Proposal

The following proposal was presented to the Graduate Council as an alternative to the Council's 11/30/01 recommendation, but was not approved:

*Master's and Ed.S. Students -- Non-Thesis Option: A student must enroll for a one credit hour comprehensive examination preparation course during the semester s/he plans to graduate.*
The Graduate Council voted to retain the current policy that was approved 11/30/01, which reads:

_Master's and Ed.S. Students -- Non-Thesis Option: A student must be enrolled for a minimum of one credit hour during the semester he/she plans to graduate._

V. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Program Review
   Dr. Jackie Eller

   (1) Consent calendar attached - all items have been approved.

   (2) The Elementary and Special Education Department requests to change the number of credit hours a student may transfer in their major area toward an M.Ed. from six hours to twelve hours for students participating in the Regent's Online Master's Degree Program (RODP). This request was approved by the Graduate Council per the Consent Calendar.

   The Graduate Council also voted to forward this issue to the Faculty and Program Review Committee to evaluate the perceived inequality issue of this transfer opportunity not being offered to MTSU student's enrolled in the on ground program.

B. Student Affairs and Travel
   Dr. Thomas Berg, Chair

   Dr. Berg reported that beginning with a balance of $15,000, eleven (11) student travel grants have been awarded totaling $4,901.00. The balance remaining in the account is $10,099.00.
C. Policies and Procedures
   Dr. Vincent Smith, Chair

   No report

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   The next Graduate Council Meeting will be
   October 25th at 2:00 p.m.,
   in the President's Conference Room.

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   Respectfully submitted by Ronda Sullivan, Recording Secretary.

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Graduate Council - Consent Calendar
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Graduate Faculty Memberships

**Doctoral Membership - Initial Appointment**
Mark Anshel / HPERS
Norma Dunlap / Chemistry
Michael J. Sanger / Chemistry

**Full Membership - Initial Appointment**
Foster Amey / Sociology
Linda Covington / Nursing
Jeffrey L. Walck / Biology

**Full Membership - Re-Appointment**
F.E. Beemon / History
Diane S. Gower / Elementary & Special Education
James Buford Hart / Mathematical Sciences
R. Stephen Howard  /  Biology
Jacquelyn L. Jackson  /  English
Amy E. Jetton  /  Biology
Jon L. MacBeth  /  HPERS
Jan Patrice Quarles  /  Electronic Media Communication
Marc G. Singer  /  Management & Marketing
William E. Warren  /  Management & Marketing
John Zamora  /  Biology

**Associate Level 1 Membership**

Vincent Cobb  /  Biology
Joseph Driscoll  /  Computer Science
Nadine Hawke  /  Art
Alexandra Miller  /  Criminal Justice
Brenda Rambo-Igney  /  Psychology
Donald P. Roy  /  Management and Marketing
Medha Shukla Sarkar  /  Computer Science
Suk Jai Seo  /  Computer Science
Allison D. Smith  /  English

**Associate Level 2 Membership**

John D. DuBois  /  Biology
Donald F. Kendrick  /  Psychology
Dennis D. Powell  /  Criminal Justice
Lance H. Selva  /  Criminal Justice

********** Curriculum Changes **********

**Dyslexic Studies**

**DYST 6010** New Course: Identifying Students with Dyslexia

2 credit hours, effective spring 2003
Elementary and Special Education
Change the number of credit hours a student may transfer in their major area toward an M.Ed. from six hours to twelve hours for students participating in the Regent’s Online Master’s Degree Program (RODP).

Engineering Technology and Industrial Studies
ET 5590  Course Title Change, effective fall 2002
from: Fundamentals of Computer Integrated Manufacturing
to: Manufacturing Automation Systems

Foreign Languages and Literatures
SPAN 5045  New Course, effective spring 2003
Topics in Hispanic Cinema
SPAN 5920  New Course, effective spring 2003
Spanish for Reading Knowledge