The Graduate Council met at 2:00 p.m. in the President’s Conference Room. Chair Michael Hein presided.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Dr. Stuart Bernstein, Dr. Jackie Eller, Dr. William Ilsley, Dr. Philip Phillips, Dr. Marc Singer, and Dr. Jeffrey Walck

Ex-officio members present: Abdul S. Rao, Vice Provost for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies; Peter H. Cunningham, Interim Associate Dean College of Graduate Studies

II. Announcements

A. Dr. Michael Hein, Chair
   ▪ No announcements

B. Dr. Abdul Rao
   ▪ Dean Rao informed the council that he is working on a list of medium to high priority programs for investment by the university based on the next five years.
   ▪ As the College of Graduate Studies seeks to establish its own “brand identity”, Dean Rao unveiled the new logo for the College of Graduate Studies. The new logo was developed with the aid of Publications and Graphics and has been approved for use by President McPhee. In the future this logo will be used in all of the College of Graduate Studies’ publications. Programs who would like to use this logo should contact Rick Henegar in the College of Graduate Studies for a copy of the logo.

C. Dr. Peter Cunningham
   ▪ The College of Graduate Studies has been working to add an additional foreign language certification; the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) can be used beginning in the fall 2005 semester. An I.E.L.T.S. score of six will be the minimum score.
   ▪ Dr. Cunningham met with representatives from the Payroll Office regarding issues with administrative graduate assistants with regards to withholding tax and accounting for actual hours worked. As a result of this meeting a need was seen for a workshop with appointing authorities of graduate assistants. The workshop will be a
joint venture between the College of Graduate Studies and Human Resources; plans are to have the workshop the last half of the summer before fall appointments.

III. Approval of Minutes – April 15, 2005

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2005 meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Program Review
   Dr. Jackie Eller

   Consent calendar attached – all items have been recommended for approval with the addition to approve the Licensure Track in Elementary and Special Education previously submitted to the council. A motion to accept the calendar with the addition of Licensure Track was made; the motion was seconded and carried.

B. Student Affairs and Travel
   Dr. Jeffrey Walck, Chair

   Dr. Walck reported that Lisa Mitchell in the Graduate Office had recently taken over graduate travel and was currently in the process of re-evaluating the budget. All correspondence is now being done via the internet and email with PDF files which has greatly improved efficiency and timeliness.

C. Policies and Procedures
   Dr. Ken Blake, Chair

   No report

V. Old Business

   Previously the Masters of Professional Studies (RODP) was taken off the consent calendar because of several council concerns. These same concerns were shared by other universities as well and as a result RODP addressed the issues and made changes to the proposal (distributed to the council). Dr. Cunningham recommended the council’s approval on the revised proposal. The council agreed that they still had concerns about differing aspects of the proposal and after much discussion; the motion was made to accept the proposal contingent upon the Council’s approval of clear statement of purpose as well as a definition of the term
VII. New Business – May Meeting

- Dr. Cunningham presented the proposal to establish a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Sciences in the College of Basic and Applied Sciences. This is a 72 hour post baccalaureate degree with three concentrations. If approved, the new program would occur at the same time the D.A. in chemistry is phased out, and those resources merged to the I-Sciences program. Discussion was held regarding concerns about the proposal. The greatest concern being not enough hours taught at the 7000 level; 30 hours at the 6000 level is too much and should be revised to no more than 30% at the 6000 level. Dr. Cunningham noted that many of the courses will be dual-listed 6000/7000. The motion was made to approve, in principle, the Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Sciences pending approval of college-wide I-Sciences committee and the Graduate Dean. The motion was seconded and carried.

- Members are needed for the Suspension Appeals Committee meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cope Conference Room. Jeffrey Walck and William Ilsley will serve on the committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Lynn Parker
Recording Secretary
Graduate Faculty Membership

**Full Membership – Initial Appointment**

Carol Nies / Music  
Ellen Garrison / History  
William Robertson / Physics & Astronomy  
William Stewart / Biology

**Full Membership – Re-Appointment**

Oscar A. Diaz-Ortiz / Foreign Languages  
Janet Belsky / Psychology  
Tracey Ring / Elementary & Special Education  
Beverly Burke / Psychology  
Dennis Mullen / Biology  
Soraya Nogueira / Foreign Language  
W. Jeff Clark / Computer Information Systems  
Chong Chen / ETIS  
Stephen Lewis / BMOM  
David Kelly / Psychology  
Paul Fischer / Recording Industry  
Catherine Stogner / Human Sciences  
Patricia Patterson / Chemistry  
Dianne Bartley / HPERS  
Phillip Waldrop / Elementary & Special Education  
Saleh Sbenaty / ETIS  
Victoria Shelar / HPERS  
Ronald Aday / Sociology & Anthropology  
Basavapatna Sridhara / ETIS  
Dellmar Walker / Human Sciences  
Beth Emery / Human Sciences  
D. Lorne McWatters / History

**Associate – Re-Appointment Level 1**

Brenda C. Rambo-Igney / Psychology

**Associate – Initial Appointment Level 2**

John Hill / Recording Industry
Curriculum Changes

**MS-PS Program**

**Changes in Admission to Program (Major)**

Change requirement to: A Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score of 900 is expected for consideration for unconditional admission. Miller Analogies Test (MAT) not accepted.

**Economics & Finance**

**New Course**

**ECON 6570/7570** Industrial Organization and Strategy, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

**Management & Marketing**

**New Course**

**MGMT 6690** Current Issues in Management, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

**Nursing**

**Course Number/Title Change**

**NURS 6401** Health Care Informatics and Information – Change title to Informatics and Information Management, change from 2 credit hours to 3 credit hours, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6404** Strategies for Implementation and Evaluation – change title to Evaluation of Health Care Information Systems, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6407** Change title from Health Care Informatics Application 1 to Informatics Applications/Practicum 1, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6409** Change title from Health Care Informatics Application II to Informatics Applications/Practicum II, effective summer 2005

**Inactivation of Course**

**NURS 6406** 1 credit hour, effective summer 2005
Accounting

New Course

ACTG 6920  Financial Statement Analysis, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

Other

Replacement of comprehensive examination with capstone course requirement

ETIS

New Course

ETIS 6650  Embedded Microprocessor Design, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

Changes in Credit Hours

ET 5650  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5660  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5670  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5610  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5640  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5230  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ET 5360  Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective summer 2005

Agribusiness / Agriscience

Course Number/Title Change

ABAS 5220  Change title of course from Methods of Teaching Agricultural Mechanics to Methods of Teaching Agriscience and Agriculture Mechanics, effective fall 2005
ABAS 5340  Change title of Soil Formation to Soil Formation and Remediation, effective fall 2005
ABAS 5430  Change title from Light Horse Production to Horse Production, effective fall 2005
History

New Course

HIST 6545/7545  Seminar: Collection Management for Archives and Museums, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
HIST 6551/7551  Seminar: American Architectural History, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

Elementary & Special Education

Dual Listed Courses

SPED 4280/5280  Assistive Technology, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

Other

New option for Curriculum & Instruction majors: Initial Licensure, K-6, effective fall 2005

New Courses

ELED 6530  Teaching Social Skills, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ELED 6540  Teaching Science, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ELED 6550  Teaching Mathematics, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
ELED 6560  Assessment in the Classroom, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
READ 6520  Teaching Reading, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

Educational Leadership

Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum

Education Specialist (Ed.S.) Curriculum and Instruction Specialization

Masters of Education (M.Ed.) Curriculum and Instruction Specialization
Secondary Education Licensure Path