MINUTES
GRADUATE COUNCIL
November 20, 2008
1:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Henry Frierson, Chair, Dr. Maureen Keller-Wood, Dr. Michael Marsiske, Dr. Leslie Odom, Mr. Bret Seferian (GSC), Dr. Sharleen Simpson, Dr. Betty Smocovitis, Dr. Peggy Wallace

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Richard Dickinson (GCAC), Dr. Joseph Delfino, Dr. Bridget Franks, Dr. Christopher Janiszewski, Dr. Jeffrey Needell, Dr. Christopher Stanton, Dr. Kim Walsh-Childers

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Joel Brendemuhl (Animal Sciences), Ms. Chandra Mitchell (Office of Admissions), Mr. Steve Pritz (Registrar), Dr. Mark Rieger (CALS), Mr. Aaron Rising (GSC), Dr. Asoo Vakharia (Information Systems and Operations Management)

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Rimjhim Banerjee, Dr. Karen Bradley (recording), Ms. Gann Enholm, Dr. Kenneth Gerhardt, Ms. Stacy Wallace

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 P.M.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Minutes from the October 16, 2008 Graduate Council meeting. Approved unanimously.

2. Proposal for a non-thesis master’s degree in the Department of Animal Sciences. Dr. Mark Rieger and Dr. Joel Brendemuhl presented the proposal. The department submitted a revision, dated November 17, 2008, which was handed out to Council for review and action. When the Master of Agriculture was sunset, the Department of Animal Sciences no longer had a non-thesis Master’s degree. The proposal provides this option for students in this discipline. Proposal approved: unanimously. Effective Spring 2009.

3. Proposal for a name change of the concentration Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Decision and Information Sciences (MBA-DIS) to Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Information Systems and Operations Management (MBA-ISOM). Dr. Asoo Vakharia presented this request as a housekeeping matter. The Department changed its name last year from Decision and Information Sciences to Information Systems and Operations Management. The name change needs to be in effect for all the degrees in the department. There is no change in content or requirements. Proposal approved: unanimously. Effective: Fall 2008.
4. **Proposal for a name change of the concentration “Clinical Investigation” to “Clinical and Translational Science”**. Dr. Henry Frierson presented the proposal, which is needed to better reflect the inclusion of translational research trainees into the university’s Clinical and Translational Science Institute. Proposal approved: unanimously. Effective: Fall 2009.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:12 P.M.