MINUTES
GRADUATE COUNCIL
March 15, 2012
1:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Henry Frierson, Chair; Dr. Michael Annable, Dr. Arthur Edison, Dr. Mary Ann Ferguson, Dr. Carole Kimberlin, Dr. Lisa McElwee-White, Ms. Nancy Parish (GSC), Dr. Joyce Stechmiller, Dr. Robert Westin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Andrea Behrman, Dr. Virginia Dodd, Dr. Peter Hansen, Dr. Craig Osenberg, Dr. Leonardo Villalón

GUESTS PRESENT: Mr. Rick Bryant (Admissions), Ms. Eve Johnson (College of Medicine), Dr. Ed Schaefer (College of Fine Arts), Dr. Charles Sims (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Dr. Elaine Turner (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Ms. Kathy Zemba (Registrar)

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

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M.

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Minutes from the February 16, 2012 Graduate Council meeting. Approved unanimously.

2. Proposal to change the name (only) of the Ph.D. major from Food Science and Human Nutrition to Food Science. The CIP code will remain the same (01.1001). Motion: approved unanimously. Effective date: Summer 2012.


4. Proposal for a certificate in Arts Administration. Dr. Edward Schaefer indicated that previous marketing studies demonstrate a need, but the program is having a soft start before aggressively marketing. There are a number of arts administration programs available, and each has a slightly different focus. This program uses existing university resources to provide the core courses. Applicants can be from any discipline as long as they have a regionally accredited bachelor’s degree. The program believes that this certificate will appeal only to those working in the field of arts administration, so there was not any need to specify baccalaureate majors. As an example, Arts in Medicine
programs are becoming more popular. Motion: approved unanimously. Effective date: Fall 2012.

5. **Proposal to define the semester to include days between semesters for purposes of conducting examinations and other activities for graduate students.** Dr. Ken Gerhardt explained that this proposal has its origins from the registrar’s definition of semester/term and the Graduate School’s need for an expanded operational definition to include break periods. This proposal will codify practice that occurs over campus regularly. Effective date: Spring 2012.

6. **Selection of candidates to include on the ballot for election to the Graduate Council, 2012-2015.** Council approved the slate of five names that was submitted by the Nominating Committee.

II. INFORMATION ITEM
7. **Announce Doctoral Mentoring Award winners.**

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 18, 2012