Minutes of Graduate Council Meeting

The Graduate Council met on Thursday March 4, 2004 at 2:30 p.m. in Devlin Hall in the second floor conference room.

Members present: S. Kovar (Dean), P. Kahol (Associate Dean), J. Bryant, H. Popp, E. Steinke, J. Wolter (Student Representative), and D. Wright.

I. Approve Minutes from February 19, 2004 Meeting
   - Minutes were approved with one minor change.

II. Old Business
   - DPT Proposal
     The DPT program was approved with minor editorial changes to be made.
   - Limiting Enrolled Hours for Students on Probation
     The Graduate Council agreed that students on probation should only be enrolled in 12 hours. Students would be allowed to exceed a 12 hour enrollment given they obtain the signature of their advisor on their enrollment form.

III. New Business
     The Design for Manufacturing Certificate program was approved with minor changes.
   - MS in Earth, Environmental and Physical Sciences Proposal
     The Graduate Council requested clarification regarding the curriculum that was proposed for this program. The Dean suggested that the Graduate Council have the chairs and faculty who proposed this program attend the next meeting of the Graduate Council for clarification purposes.

IV. As May Arise
   - A few items from the recent Coordinator’s Meeting will be coming to the Graduate Council in the near future.
   - The electronic thesis issue will be coming up on the agenda also. The eventual outcome would be to have only electronic thesis submitted and not have a paper copy any longer. A pilot study will be conducted this spring by choosing select students to turn in electronic copies of the thesis. The purpose of the pilot is to see if this will work. Margaret Wood and Kathy Downes will be working on this pilot experience.
   - The February Coordinator’s Meeting was well attended with almost all Coordinators present. They provided excellent input to address the issues that were identified on the agenda.

Adjourned at 3:35 PM.