Minutes of Graduate Council Meeting

The Graduate Council met on Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. in Devlin Hall 2nd floor conference room.


I. Approve Minutes of February 2, 2006 meeting
Minutes of the November 2, 2006 were approved as distributed.

II. Announcements/Updates
- Dean Kovar distributed the meeting dates of KBOR for FY 07.
- Council members confirmed with Dean Kovar that VP Miller expected resources for new programs to come through internal reallocation.

III. Old Business
- 20th Day Graduate Enrollment – Dean Kovar visited about the need for enrollment stability at the graduate level.
- Possible Academic Focus Areas – some discussion occurred on possible focus areas. The Council wishes to discuss this more fully and provide input to the Vice President regarding 5-6 important focus areas to move graduate education forward.

IV. New Business
- Recruiting a Diverse Graduate Student Body – delayed until next meeting.
- Graduate Certificate Proposal in Literacy – approved with minor clarifications requested in the proposal document.
- Assessment of Current Certificate Programs – delayed until next meeting.
- Graduate Student Support Issues – Dean Kovar updated Council members on increased costs occurring to pay health insurance premiums for all full-time graduate assistants and to pay in-state tuition waivers for graduate teaching assistants. In addition, the issue of low stipends was discussed.
- Graduate Education Support in Academic Colleges – delayed until next meeting.

V. Doctor of Nursing Practice Proposal
Council approved the intent of the proposal and requested Dean Kovar to follow-up with the program area to be sure that issues raised at the last meeting were appropriately addressed in the revised proposal.

VI. As May Arise
- Council will not meet again this semester. Next meeting will be February 1, 2007.

Adjourned 4:00 p.m.