

## **Graduate Council Meeting**

### **March 24, 2010**

**Attendees:** Matthew Aiello-Lammens (GSO), Estie Arkin (Applied Mathematics and Statistics), Ruth Ben-Zvi (Economics), Alicia DeRosalia (Graduate School), Dante Di Ianni (Graduate Student Advocate), Elaine Hoffman (Library), Sara Lipton (History), Kent Marks (Graduate School), Lawrence Martin (Dean, Graduate School), Anne McElroy (SoMAS), Susan O'Leary (Psychology), Brian Phillips (Geoscience), Susan Scheckel (English), Marcia Simon (Dental School), Arleen Steckel (Nursing School), Charles Taber (Political Science and Associate Dean, Graduate School), Jacobus Verbaarschot (Graduate Council Chair), Elizabeth Vink (GSO)

**Absent Members:** Allegra de Laurentiis (Philosophy), Michael Kifer (Computer Science)

**The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by the Chair, Jacobus Verbaarschot.**

#### **Approval of minutes**

- Minutes were approved from the 3/10/10 meeting, with minor revisions.

#### **Chair's Report**

- **Online Course Evaluations**
  - Graham Glynn, Patricia Aceves and Norman Goodman were present at the meeting to give a presentation about online course evaluations. The plan is to have a set of core questions and a set of questions geared specifically towards departments.
  - The Council would like to review the core questions after they are created.
- **Senate Report on Songdo Initiative**
  - Sara Lipton agreed to be on the Songdo Committee.

#### **Old Business**

- **Revised MS Proposal in Molecular and Cell Biology**
  - Council approved.

#### **New Business**

- **No New Business to report**

#### **Dean's Report**

- **Strategic Plan for Graduate Education**
  - Steering Committee will be meeting with GPDs, Chairs and Deans to hear their suggestions and will consider all initiatives.
- **International Student Services**
  - Provost formally announced that move would occur on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Center for Inclusive Education will move from the library to the Graduate School

- **Graduate Awards**

- Award winners have been announced. Recipients will receive their awards at a ceremony the Wednesday before Commencement.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.**

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