GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
March 6, 2014

The Graduate Council met at 8:00am in 129 Himes with the following members present: Armbrust, Chance, Day, Dow, Eades, Euba, Kelso, Matthews, McKillop, Nardo, Ortner, and Reeve (ex officio). Absent members were Byerly (ex officio), Marks, Meng, and Spivey.

Minutes of October 24, 2013 and December 5, 2013

The minutes from October 24, 2013 and December 5, 2013 were unanimously approved as submitted on motion by Dr. Kelso, second by Dr. Day.

**Dean's Report** 

The dean was unable to attend due to SACS commitments. Assistant Dean Hamilton reported that TurnItIn and iThenticate are available. Discussion ensued by several council members. Hamilton further reported that theses and dissertations will be test run through the programs and that this may be a council item for further discussion at future meetings.

Hamilton also reported that the associate dean search is continuing and that college deans have been informed that enrichment funds will continue at current levels for fiscal year 2015. Enrichment funds will be reviewed in fall 2015 for possible redistribution in FY2016.

**Academic Affairs Report** 

Dr. Gil Reeve discussed the SACSCOC impending visit and council members were provided extensive information regarding the visit and expectations. Graduate student teaching credentials are expected to be reviewed by SACS and Dr. Reeve spent time explaining these criteria.

**Chairs Report** 

**Executive Session** 

**Standing Committee Reports** 

Promotion and Tenure Committee: No report.

**Graduate Faculty:** No report.

Awards Committee: No report.

**New Business** 

Time was unavailable for discussion of the following program changes individually. Dr. Nardo moved and Dr. Day seconded that these items be sent to council members for email ballot. The motion to vote on these changes individually by email ballot was unanimously approved. Chantelle will send these items to council members shortly.

- Counselor Education Concentrations
- EXST changes
- Computer Science name change
- PADM changes
- OCS curriculum changes

Dr. Kelso expressed concern that reports seem to take so much time that discussion of program changes and other agenda items frequently are deferred to the next meeting. After discussion, council members agreed that most dean, chair and Academic Affairs reports could be distributed as handouts and the time allowed for council meetings would then be spent on action items.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50a.m.

Recorded by:

Marie Hamilton, Assistant Dean

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Approved by:

Gary Byerly, Dean Graduate School