APPROVED 1/9/12 Minutes of Meeting of University Committee on Graduate Studies (UCGS) November 7, 2011, 3:00 pm, 113 Linton Hall

Participants: Karen Klomparens (TGS), Judith Vinson (CON), Michael Lawrence (Law), Greg Lang (CANR), Stan Griffis (BUS), Rich Spreng (BUS), Derek Polischuk (MUS), Debra Hardison (CAL), Liz Gardner (CANR), Robert Caldwell (CSS), Joe Walther (CAS), Peter Youngs (CoEd), Stefan Fletcher (COGS), David Argen (for Kris Renn) (CoEd), John Goddeeris (SSC), Jeremy Lauklaa (COM), Barbara Kitchell (CVM), D. Weliky (CNS)

<u>**Guests:</u></u> T. Wehrwein + Louise Selanders (CON), Gail Riegle (COM), S. Printy (CoEd), Robert Floden (COE), Jeff Woodridge (Econ)</u>**

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Agenda. Approved
- 2. Approval of October 10, 2011 Minutes. (Attachment) Approved
- 3. Remarks from the Chairperson. (Goddeeris) The following topics were discussed. (1) University Steering Committee proposed merger of Crop & Soil Science and Plant Pathology. It was suggested that UCGS put forth a formal proposal for approval of the merger *. There for this Action Item was put forth for vote and was Approved. (2) There is a University committee working on University Research organization. This will be reviewed in a future UCGS meeting. (3) Search Committee for the Vice President for Research is being formed and UCGS is being asked to propose faculty for this committee. This committee will be composed of 7 faculty, 2 graduate students, and 2 deans and chairpersons. Please put forth names to Dr. Klomparens or Dr. John Goddeeris.
- 4. Remarks from the Dean of the Graduate School Copy of the Graduate School Guidelines were distributed. These guidelines have been approved to Academic Council and Faculty Council.
- 5. Remarks from the COGS Representative No report due to no COGS representative present at meeting.
- 6. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees

Curriculum and Program Review Committee No report

Academic Research Policy Subcommittee No report

Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee Report on brief meeting related to tuition/benefit waiver for RF and TE's. GEU representing teaching assistants will have separate set of benefits.

7. Annual Report of the RIO (J. Pivarnik) Annual Report of RIO was distributed and is available on the ANGEL website. Summary is: There is an increase in the number of faculty seeking advice related to research issues and need for fewer investigations. See entire Report for more detail.

- 8. *Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts** degree in **Advertising** in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations and Retailing. Approved
- *Request to establish a Linked Bachelor of Arts Degree in Advertising and Master of Arts Degree in Public Relations in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations, and Retailing. Approved
- **Request to establish a Linked Bachelor of Arts Degree in Advertising and Master of Arts Degree in Advertising in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations, and Retailing. Approved
- 11. *Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts** degree in **Public Relations** in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations and Retailing. Approved
- 12. *Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts** degree in **Health Professions** Education I the College of Education. Approved
- 13. Roundtable No reports
- 14. Adjournment.