# Approved 10/08/12 Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies September 10, 2012, 3:00p.m., 113 Linton Hall

Participants: Karen Klomparens (TGS), Derek Polischuk (Music), Amita Chudgar (CoE), Beth Olson (CANR), Stephen Arch (CAL), Stan Griffis (Bus), Barb Kitchell (Vet Med), David Weliky (CNS), Indrek Wichman (ENGR), Lynn Fendler (CoE), James Trocko (CoHM), Steve Lacy/Joe Walther (CAS), Sandra Spoelstra (CON), Jennifer Carter-Johnson (Law), Stefan Fletcher (COGS), Lynne Goldstein (SSC), Shelagh Ferguson-Miller (CNS), Pero Dagbovie (SSC)

<u>Guests:</u> S. Contreras (CLS), R. Rosenbaum (CLS), K. Silk (CAS), C. Patterson (CVM), K. Wampler (HDFS), S. Gupta (Bus), P. Wu (CNS), C. Abbas (CNS), J. Nelson (CAL)

- 1. Approval of Agenda
- 2. Approval of April 9, 2012 Minutes
- 3. Remarks from the Chair (Spreng)

Professor Spreng made welcoming remarks, and had UCGS members introduce themselves. Sub-committee chairs and committee rosters were explained and a sign-up sheet for these positions was distributed. UCGS Procedures were explained.

4. Remarks from the Dean (Klomparens)

Dean Klomparens explained the document "UCGS Modes of Participation," and gave an update on "Turn It In," an anti-plagiarism software that MSU has purchased. The software "I-Thenticate" has also been purchased, which is a tool to check journal submissions prior to submitting.

5. Remarks from the COGS Representative

The COGS Representative noted several items: (1) Library Study Rooms had been repurposed over the summer, diminishing the number of spaces like this available for graduate students. COGS is expressing concern over this development to relevant parties. (2) International Student Fees have been increased this year. (3) The COGS Endowment is now available to Law Students. (4) COGS hosted a Welcome Picnic to which an estimated 400-450 Graduate Students attended.

6. UCGS Operating Procedures (Klomparens and Spreng)

**UCGS** Operating Procedures were approved unanimously

7. Sub-committee Chairs/Officers

Candidates were approved unanimously

8. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees

Duties of the UCGS subcommittees were explained. The state of representatives was approved.

9. Request to establish a Graduate Certificate in Chicano/Latino Studies in the College of Social Science.

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10. Request to change the name of the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Communication Arts and Sciences-Media and Information Studies in the College of Communication Arts and Sciences from Communication Arts and Sciences to Media and Information Studies.

#### **Approved**

11. Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree in Veterinary Medicine in the College of Veterinary Medicine.

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12. Request to establish a Graduate Certificate in Online Teaching and Learning in the Department of Counseling, Education Psychology, and Special Education.

representative not here. rep. has been asked to return next time. Postponed until October.

13. Request to establish a Master of Arts degree in Family Community Services in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies in collaboration with the Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance.

#### **Approved**

14. Reugest to change the requirements for the Master of Science in Industrial Mathematics.

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15. Request to change the requirements for the Master of Business Administration degree in the Eli Broad College of Business.

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16. Request to change the Graduation Requirement for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in the College of Arts and Letters.

## **Approved**

17. Roundtable

James Trosko raised the issue of the University granting too many PhD's. Karen provided data about PhD's from MSU.

18. Adjournment