Graduate Council
December 1, 2014, Shared Conference Room #253, 4:00 p.m.
Minutes
In Attendance: Patty Drews (Chair), Nancy Foley, Gary McDonald, Sue Myllykangas, Jeffry Thornsberry, Tekle Wanorie, Greg Haddock, and Rithesh Bejjarapu. Dr. Larson (4:03).

Unable to attend: Matthew Walker, Linda Sterling and Erica Ruiz

1. Dr. Drews called the meeting to order at 4:00.
2. Dr. Thornsberry made a motion to approve the November 2014 minutes and was seconded by Dr. Foley. Motion passed with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.
4. Graduate Dean Report-Dr. Haddock requested two members of GC to review Leon F Miller Scholarship applications beginning February 2nd. Dr. Thornsberry and Dr. Wanorie agreed to serve in this capacity.
5. Proposal 114-GC-02, this proposal adds a section to the Graduate Catalog that specifies the policy for participating in commencement for a trimester other than when the degree is earned. This policy is needed because summer commencement may be discontinued and because some students wish to participate in a commencement ceremony when family members or friends can attend. Dr. Foley made a motion to approve and was seconded by Dr. Wanorie. Proposal 114-GC-02 was approved with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.
6. Proposal 114-55-01, this proposal is for a graduate course offering from the Department of Business. The course would provide MBA students the opportunity to understand current problems, practices, and perspectives of global marketing management in the increasingly globalized marketplace. Students would also apply their knowledge by assessing market opportunities of foreign countries and developing a preliminary global product launch plan for a real multinational company. Dr. Thornsberry motioned to approve and was seconded by Dr. McDonald, proposal was approved with a vote of 7-yes/0-no.

Approval of Graduate Faculty-Action Needed

7. Dr. Robin Gallaher-The department of English recommend the appointment of Dr. Robin Gallaher as Graduate Faculty. Robin has been previously appointed as associate graduate faculty and has been teaching English 620 and English 501 in that role; since then, she has completed her Ph.D. (graduating in May 2013 from Indiana University of Pennsylvania) and been hired into a tenure-track position as our Writing Programs Director. She also holds an MA degree in Composition from Ohio University. The department supports this recommendation with a positive vote of 6 out of 8. Copy of transcripts and vitae are on file in the Graduate Office. Dr. Thornsberry motioned to approve and was seconded by Dr. McDonald, Dr. Gallaher was approved with a vote of 7-yes/0-no.

Approval of Adjuncts-Action Needed

8. Paul Long, 61-652, spring 2015, Mr. Long received his Bachelor Degree from University of Missouri Kansas City. He double majored in Political Science and Philosophy. He earned his Master Degree from the University of Kentucky in Philosophy, and went onto receive his Ph.D. in Education Leadership and Policy Studies from the University of Missouri St. Louis. He has completed a total of 165 graduate hours. Some of Dr. Long’s academic appointments include, adjunct faculty, philosophy MCC-Penn Valley and Maple Woods. Philosophy Instructor at Maple Woods Community College, Division Chair of Social Sciences and Business at Maple Woods, Honors Program Coordinator, Maple Woods, and Learning Communities/Integrated Studies. Dr. Long is currently the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Technology for MCC in Kansas City. A copy of transcripts and resume are in the Graduate Office. Dr. Foley made a motion to approve Paul Long as adjunct faculty and was seconded by Dr. McDonald. Motion was approved with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.
Marilyn received her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from Northwest Missouri State University. She obtained her Masters of Education in Instructional Strategies and Learning and K-12 Reading Specialist with an emphasis in literacy degrees from Viterbo University. She has a total of 40+ graduate hours. Marilyn has been engaged in Iowa Department of Education’s Every Child Reads initiative, first as LEA teacher and then as an AEA reading/literacy consultant as well as developer and scorer for the Iowa Collaborative Assessment Modules for Reading. Currently, she serves as the AEA Reading/Literacy Consultant. Previously, Marilyn served as a classroom teacher, LEA literacy coordinator/coach. Vita and transcripts are on file in the Graduate Office. Dr. Foley made a motion to approve Marilyn Nickel as adjunct faculty and was seconded by Dr. McDonald. Motion was approved with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Re-approval of Adjunct Faculty-No action needed

Ms. From presently serves as the Assistant Principal at NE Nodaway, prior she was Director of Area Cooperative for Educational support. Her education includes: August 2012-2014, completed the Specialist in Superintendent, B.S.Ed. in Education-Elementary and Learning Disabilities and her MS in Educational Special Education were all completed at Northwest Missouri State University. The department of Professional Education support this recommendation with a vote of 15-yes out of 20 graduate faculty. A copy of her transcripts and resume are in the Graduate Office.

11. Christina Wahlert, 61-550, fall 2014
Tina Received her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from Iowa State University. She received her first Master’s degree from Northwest Missouri State University in Elementary Learning Disabilities. Her second Master degree was from Iowa State University in Educational Administration PreK-12. Tina has a total of 84 graduate credit hours. She has completed professional development trainings in Authentic Intellectual Work, Iowa core & Alignment Institute, Foundations, School in Need of Improvement Training, Reading Rescue, Curriculum Mapping, Data Driven Leadership, Iowa Technical Adequacy Project, Assertive Discipline, cooperative Learning, 6+1 Writing Traits, Positive Behavior Support Coaching, and Project Reading/Written Expressions/Phonology. Tina currently serves as school Improvement Professional Development Consultant with the Green Hills AEA and as the Iowa Department of Education authentic Intellectual Work coach. Previously, she served as At-Risk Coordinator, Grant Writer/Manager, Coach of PBS Initiative, and Liaison for the CCILC, Internal School Improvement Coordinator, and Special Education teacher with the Anita Community School district as well as Iowa Western Community College instructor for adult computer classes. A copy of transcripts and resume are in the Graduate Office.

12. Monte Munsinger, 61-559, fall 2014
Monte received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics Secondary Education from Graceland University. He obtained his Master of Science in Education in Administration and Education Specialist degrees with Western Illinois University. He has a total of 81 graduate credit hours. Monte has completed trainings in Iowa Core and RTL training through the Area Education Agency as well as Understanding by Design book studies. Currently, he serves as Curriculum and Special Education Director in the Shenandoah School District. Previously, he has served as a building administrator for 9 years as well as collaboratively led profession development for the past 10 years. Vita and transcripts are on file in the Graduate Office.

Our next meeting will be held on January 12, 2015. This will begin the new meeting day of the second Monday each month.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.