Graduate Council Minutes March 24, 2009

The March meeting of the Graduate Council was called to order by Dr. David Wittrock at 2:05 pm, March 24, 2009 in the Stenehjem Room in the Alumni Center.

In attendance: Ann Burnett, Verlin Hinsz, Brandy Randall, Chengwen Sun

Masters in Public Health

Dr. Donald Miller from the Pharmacy Practice program presented the proposal for the Masters in Public Health program. An M.P.H. program is also being developed by UND. The goal is to have each program approved on by the respective campus and present them together to the State Board of Higher Education.

The proposal was referred back to the curriculum committee for further discussion.

Course Proposals

Ann Burnett made a motion to approve the course proposals approved by the Curriculum Committee. Brandy Randall provided the second. Motion carried.

<u>Announcements</u>

Dr. Wittrock told the group that there may be no Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships for 09-10 due to a reduction of funding from Research Administration.

The Graduate School has offered someone the marketing/recruitment position. She will start April 13.

The position description for the disquisition reviewer should be ready by the end of the week. This position will be split with the Center for Writers. Enrico Sassi has suggested we should consider Ph.D. level position which could also teach writing courses for graduate students.

Floor plans have been drawn up for the Graduate School to move into Putnam. The Graduate School Office will be housed on the entire main floor.

Dr. Wittrock has been in conversation with the library regarding electronic disquisitions. A pilot project may be started in the fall with a group of departments. One issue is whether or not to get rid of bound copies.

At 3:00 p.m., Dr. Wittrock adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Selders-Ortez