# Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2010

Attending: Canan Bilen-Green, Betsy Birmingham, Kendra Erickson, Karen Froelich, Robert Littlefield, Robert Nielsen, Courtney Simons, Wenfang Sun, Donna Terbizan, Charlene Wolf-Hall

Call to order

Dr. Wittrock called the meeting to order at 10:04a.m.

**September 27, 2010 Minutes**

Robert Littlefield made a motion to approve the September 27, 2010 meeting minutes. Donna Terbizan provided the second. Motion carried.

**Course Proposals**Charlene Wolf-Hall made a motion to approve the courses on the agenda pending recommended changes. Canan Bilen-Green provided the second. Motion carried.

**Teacher Waivers**

Donna Terbizan made a motion to approve the teaching waiver request for Abbie Ranschau to teach BUSN 730 Legal Aspects of Business in spring 2011. Bob Nielsen provided the second. Motion carried.

Graduate Student Association Survey  
Courtney Simons presented the results of the GSA survey conducted in spring 2010. There was a 15% response rate. The biggest concerns were stipends and health insurance. The GSA would like to conduct this survey yearly, with maybe the addition of program specific surveying.

National Research Council results  
Dr. Wittrock presented findings of the NRC survey. NDSU was in the third-quartile in most programs. The Graduate Council needs to have a conversation about how do use the information to move forward. There was a request from the council to determine where NDSU fits within its peer institutions.

Next meeting, October 11

**Adjournment**Dr. Wittrock adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Selders-Ortez