**Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

**February 10, 2014**

# Attending: Jeff Clark, Victoria Gelling, Harlene Hatterman-Valenti, Joel Hektner, Miriam Mara, Brandy Randall, Bora Suzen, Chanchai Tangpong, Mackenzie Wood, Jason Zurn

# Minutes

## Bora Suzen motioned to approve the January 27, 2014 minutes. Harlene Hatterman-Valenti provided the second. Motion carried.

**Curriculum Committee**

Miriam Mara made a motion to approve the course proposals as listed on the agenda. Joel Hektner provided the second. Motion carried.

Joel Hektner made a motion to approve the curriculum change for the Masters of Public Health Promotion specialization. Jason Zurn provided the second. Motion carried.

Miriam Mara made a motion to approve the curriculum change for the Masters of Construction Management program. Bora Suzen provided the second. Motion carried.

**New Business**

Dean Wittrock presented an Academic Freedom Statement developed and approved by the Academic Affairs committee of the Faculty Senate. There was discussion regarding some of the phrasing. Jeff Clark mad a motion to approve the draft language developed by the Council. Joel Hektner provided the second. Motion carried. Dean Wittrock will bring this language to the Academic Affairs Committee meeting following Graduate Council.

Dean Wittrock updated the Council on the projected spring enrollment. Given the current pace, by 4th week enrollment Graduate Students will comprise 17.5% of the NDSU student body.

**Old Business**

Dr. Randall presented two potential options for the graduate representative position on doctoral supervisory committees. There was discussion of the intent of this position and how to make it universal. There was also discussion regarding the Conflict of Interest Statement and what happens when a committee member disapproves a student’s preliminary or final exam.

Dr. Wittrock adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.