The Graduate Council met in TOM 102 on Tuesday, October 26, 2010, at 3 p.m. Graduate Council members include the following:

Dr. Mary Gunter, Chair
Dr. Mary Ann Rollans
Dr. Cheryl Smith
Ms. Connie Zimmer
Dr. John Jackson
Dr. Linda Bean, Vice Chair
Dr. Peter Dykema
Dr. Richard Ihde
Dr. Susan Underwood
Dr. Deborah Wilson
Dr. Matt Brown
Dr. Sean Huss
Dr. Annette Holeyfield
Ms. Holly Thomas, Student Representative
Ms. Tammy Rhodes, Secretary

Dr. Cheryl Smith and Ms. Holly Thomas were absent. Guests were Dr. William Hoefler, Dr. Pat Buford, Dr. Daniel Bullock, Dr. John Krohn, and Dr. Mona Chadwick.

CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Gunter called the meeting to order and indicated a quorum was present for the meeting and business could be conducted.

Dr. Gunter asked for approval of the minutes from September 21, 2010. Dr. Underwood moved, Dr. Rollans, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Dr. Gunter requested Ms. Lillie Kersh be added to the list of faculty to approve. Dr. Rollans moved, Dr. Huss seconded, to consider all three. Motion carried.

Dr. Bean moved, Dr. Underwood seconded, to approve the both nominations to graduate faculty: Ms. Judy Hobson as Non-Regular Adjunct Faculty, Dr. Erin Clair as Regular Faculty, and Ms. Lillie Kersh as Non-Regular Part-time Adjunct. Motion carried.

CURRICULAR ACTION ITEMS:

Department of Art

Dr. Wilson moved, Dr. Underwood seconded, to approve addition of the following course: ART 5723/4723, Art History Seminar, to the course descriptions. (Course exists in the undergraduate course descriptions.) Because no representative
was available to answer questions, Dr. Underwood moved, Dr. Wilson seconded, to table the item. Motion carried.

Department of Electrical Engineering

Dr. Wilson moved, Dr. Huss seconded, to approve all proposals from each department with one action. Motion carried. Dr. Wilson moved, Dr. Huss seconded, to approve the following proposals with an amendment to the Masters of Engineering focus. Motion carried.

(1) Add the following courses to the course descriptions:
   (a) ELEG 6133, Introduction to Nanoelectronics;
   (b) MCEG 5343/4343, Internal Combustion Engineers (Course exists in the undergraduate course descriptions.);
   (c) MCEG 5453/4453, Energy Management (Course exists in the undergraduate course descriptions.);
   (d) MCEG 5473/4473, Mechanical Vibrations (Course exists in the undergraduate course descriptions.);
   (e) MCEG 6013, Continuum Mechanics;
   (f) MCEG 6023, Elasticity; and
   (g) MCEG 6323, Energy Systems; and

(2) Add the Mechanical Engineering focus to the Masters of Engineering.

Department of Nursing

Dr. Bean moved, Dr. Wilson seconded, to approve the following modification to the program. Motion carried.

(1) Modify the Master of Science in Nursing Administration and Emergency Management as follows: (a) allow EMHS 6003, Design/Management of Preparedness, or EMHS 5993, Managing Projects, in the Core Curriculum-Both Tracks; and (b) allow EMHS 6883, Emergency Management Workshop, or EMHS 6993, Independent Study, in the Emergency Management Track.

Center for Leadership and Learning

Dr. Gunter requested Dr. Bean act as chair when the following proposal was considered. Dr. Wilson moved, Dr. Rollans seconded, to approve the program addition and following courses. Motion carried.

(1) Add the Doctorate of Education in Executive Leadership; and
(2) Add the following courses to the course descriptions:
(a) EDD 8003, Applied Research for the Scholar/Practitioner;
(b) EDD 8013, Special Topics: Scholarly Writing;
(c) EDD 8023, Quantitative Research Methods;
(d) EDD 8033, Qualitative Research Methods;
(e) EDD 8043, Cultural Influences;
(f) EDD 8053, Ethics and Values;
(g) EDD 8063, Dissertation I – Proposal Writing;
(h) EDD 8073, Synthesis Seminar;
(i) EDD 8083, Dissertation II;
(j) EDD 8093, Dissertation III; and
(k) EDD 8103, Dissertation IV.

Other Council Business Items for Discussion

Dr. Gunter distributed the following handouts:

2010-11 appointments for the Human Subject Committee;
Policy and Procedures for Use of Human Subjects in Research draft;
Letter regarding Graduate Theses in Accessible Electronic Format; and
Thesis, Special Projects and Portfolios Timeline

Dr. Gunter requested Dr. Wilson, chair, and Dr. Jackson serve on the Thesis
subcommittee.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Rhodes