

School of Graduate Studies

Graduate Council Minutes February 19, 2009

Members Present: Janzow, presiding; Athinarayanan, Bertrand, Branscum, Chamberlain, Dow, Gunn, Heischmidt, Jackson, Judd, Koch, Roberts, Taylor, Zen. Visitor: J. Wiles.

The Minutes of 1/22/09 were **approved**. (Jackson/Heischmidt)

Dean's Report:

- Janzow would like volunteers for the ETD project.

GSAC Report (Pruett): No Report.

Academic Standards Committee Report (Taylor): No Report.

Assessment Committee Report (Judd): No Report.

Curriculum Committee Report (Branscum):

- Committee is waiting for Education to resubmit proposal for the Masters degree in Teacher Leadership that was returned to the College of Education for clarification of several matters.

Action Items:

- Dual Degree: MBA/MS Industrial Management **approved**. (Branscum/Taylor) Dr. Janzow will work out procedures in managing this program.
- A lengthy discussion ensued over the new proposal for the Master of Science in Applied Management. It was explained that the proposal came out of the Management Department as a means to provide an avenue for students to increase their knowledge in different areas with emphasis on team management and leadership. The following concerns were : 1) core of the MBA and MS being duplicated; 2) title overlapping other programs offered; 3) other applied management programs already in place; 4) title should reflect focus on business sectors to create distinction for itself; 5) keep title at a minimum but with enough words to keep down confusion; 6) costs incurred during this time of financial crisis; 7) the proposed degree would result in undue internal competition for students. The proposal was then **rejected**.

Discussion Items:

- Dr. Janzow will bring a statement regarding capstone projects to the Council to the next meeting for approval.
- Heischmidt asked if they were allowed to continue the Pilot Accelerated Program. It was approved for 1 year to be reviewed again in the spring 2010 semester.

Information Item:

- Bertrand proudly announced that the School Administration's "Spa Report" was nationally recognized.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.