The University of Kansas
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES
September 12, 2013, 11:00AM
STRONG HALL – ROOM 210

Members Present: Omofolabo Ajayi-Soyinka, Brian Ackley, Byron Caminero-Santangelo, Paulyn Cartwright, Peter Grund, Marni Kessler, ChangHwan Kim, Milena Stanislavova (Chair), Ric Steele, and Alesia Wozidlo

Others in attendance: Renee Perelmutter (REES), Kristine Latta (COGA), Cindy Lynn (COGA), Jim Mielke (ex-officio) and Emily Dodson (GA, COGA)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Stanislavova at 11:02 a.m. Dr. Stanislavova welcomed the new committee member, Marni Kessler, and all members introduced themselves.

Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the August 29, 2013 minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written with a friendly date correction. The motion was approved unanimously.

Report of the Proposals, Awards, and Scholarships (PAS) Subcommittee
(Dr. Paulyn Cartwright reporting)

Dr. Latta provided background on the new KBOR expedited review process for new programs that respond to workforce needs, and discussed efforts in the College to streamline the review process for these and other proposals.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the REES Graduate Certificate proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Cartwright introduced Dr. Perelmutter, who responded on behalf of REES to questions from the CGS regarding the proposed new certificate.

Report of the Program and Curricular Changes Subcommittee
(Dr. Brian Ackley, reporting)

A motion was made and seconded to table the AMS, PhD program change to allow the subcommittee to request additional clarification regarding the Comprehensive Exam. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendation from the subcommittee for curricular changes to the following courses. The motion was approved unanimously.

New course: AMS 809

Course change: GIST 701

Members discussed the importance of having a departmental representative present to answer questions about proposed program changes. Ms. Lynn explained that members are invited to attend, but that on this occasion there was an unavoidable conflict. It was suggested that if a departmental representative is not able to attend the CGS meeting, the agenda item should be tabled until a representative is able to attend.

Report of the Policies and Student Petitions Subcommittee
(Dr. Alesia Wozidlo, reporting)

Dr. Wozidlo reported that the subcommittee elected to defer the chair election to next meeting.
The CGS has been asked to provide input on an update to the College Strategic Plan. The PSP subcommittee will bring recommendations to the full committee for further discussion at the September 26 meeting.

**Old Business**
Dr. Latta reported to CGS that the College Post-Comp policy change from the May 9, 2013 meeting of the CGS was approved in the September 10, 2013 meeting of CAC.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Stanislavova at 11:45 a.m.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meetings of the CGS Subcommittees are **September 19, 2013**.
- (PAS) Proposals, Awards, and Scholarships, **TBD**.
- (PCC) Program and Curricular Changes, **11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., via email**
- (PSP) Policies and Student Petitions, **11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Student petition review via Blackboard**.

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is **Thursday, September 26, 2013, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall**.

*Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Lynn, COGA*