Members Present: Christina Amaro, Justin Blumenstiel, Mark Joslyn, Ani Kokobobo, Kris Pedersen, Armin Schulz, Eric Vernberg, Tony Walton

Others in attendance: Kristine Latta (COGA), Paul Atchley (ex-officio)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Blumenstiel at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 10, 2016, minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consent Agenda
A motion was made and seconded to approve the items listed on the consent agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

The consent agenda included the following:

A. Program Changes
   Change to Existing Programs: Anthropology, MA

Report of the Policies and Student Petitions (PSP) Report

Dr. Schulz reported that the PSP has been working on updates to the Graduate catalog content. Stylistic changes were made as well as rearranging of content. A new section was added regarding the new SP/LP/NP grading basis.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the updates to the graduate catalog content. The motion was approved unanimously.

Report of the Program and Curricular Changes (PCC) Subcommittee
(Dr. Tony Walton, reporting)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed course changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

Course Changes: HA 910
A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed program changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Program Changes for Approval**
Change to Existing Program: Visual Art Education, MA

Dr. Walton discussed the implementation of new grading basis of SP/LP/NP. Departments will be submitting course change proposals to update to the new grading basis. A motion was made and seconded to approve these changes administratively. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Blumenstiel.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is **Thursday, December 15, 2016, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall.**

*Respectfully submitted by Rachel Schwien, COGA*