Graduate Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 19, 2010
Enrollment Conference Room

Attending: Dr. Kristi Pearce, Dr. Ahrar Ahmad, Dr. Shane Sarver, Dr. Patricia Simpson, Dr. Tim Steckline, Dr. Garth Spellman, Dr. David Wolff, Mr. Rajeev Bukralia, Dr. Thomas (Mitch) Hopewell, Mr. Woody Walstrom, Student Representative, and Mr. Gregg Galea, Senior Secretary.

MSCI, Dr. Patricia Simpson. No report this meeting

MSSL, Dr. Mitch Hopewell.

The MSSL program will graduate 11 students this summer, the first cohort to graduate from the program. The Symposium they were hoping to have this summer has been tentatively rescheduled for next year. The Symposium is designed to bring the on-line students to campus to provide a special opportunity to "connect" with BHSU. Dr. Hopewell, together with Dr. Spellman will be reviewing program completion for graduation documentation to streamline and standardize the process.

MSIG, Dr. Garth Spellman.

The program will have 4 students graduating this spring, the largest yet for the program. The program will have 5 vacancies for this fall and so far we have five applications. Dr. Spellman said one of his main focuses is in the job search for a new faculty member. That, and Faculty involvement is key for the growth of the program, he said. The goal is to graduate 5 students a year while bring in 5 new student each fall.

MBA, Dr. David Scarborough

The MBA program's new website and online admission process went live on December 18th and can be viewed at www.BHSU.edu/MBA. Inquiries and applications have begun.

Student technology fellow Sarah O'Donnell is working with the MBA faculty to build faculty websites with a consistent look and feel.

Dr. Annette Ryerson, Dr. Priscilla Romkema and Dr. Scarborough are working with Corrine Hansen and Kristen Kilmer to plan a budget for marketing the new program.

New Business

- Changing the time for the meeting to 3:00 pm was discussed but it was a consensus of the committee that changing it to 3 would affect more members then leaving it at 3:30.
- The Intent to Plan for a Master in Professional Science has been approved by the Board of Regents.
- BHSU Graduate Studies will participate in the Career Fair February 11. Now is the time to start thinking about marketing materials for your programs as well as when and if you are available for Q&A's during the fair.

- Dr. Ahmad moved to table the Application for Graduate Faculty Status for Ryan Clark until next month to obtain a CV from him for the committee to review. The motion was seconded by Dr. Spellman, and approved by the Graduate Council.

The minutes from the November 2009 meeting were reviewed with a motion for approval from Dr. Ahmad with a second by Dr. Spellman. Minutes were approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

If you have any comments or corrections, please inform Gregg Galea. Gregg.Galea@BHSU.edu.

The next Graduate Council meeting will be on 02-16-10.