Graduate Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 16, 2010
Enrollment Conference Room

In attending were: Dr. Kristi Pearce, Dr. Ahrar Ahmad, Dr. Patricia Simpson, Dr. Amy Fuqua, Dr. Tim Steckline, Dr. Garth Spellman, Dr. David Scarborough, Dr. David Wolff, Mr. Rajeev Bukralia, Mr. Woody Walstrom, Student Representative, and Mr. Gregg Galea, Senior Secretary.

MSCI: Dr. Patricia Simpson. MSCI Math Specialist program is experiencing a rise in applications for the fall. Dr. Simpson attributed this increased interest to both the work of CAMSE and the state grant funding for math and science education programs.

MSSL: Dr. Mitch Hopewell. Rajeev Bukralia reported that Dr. John Usera will teach the capstone class this summer for the first cohort. They are scheduling a faculty meeting for the MSSL instructors this spring, and examining new ways to advertize the online graduate program with an attempt to attract international students who would have the two field-based courses developed with local businesses and organizations.

MSIG: Dr. Garth Spellman. This graduate program has five openings this fall. Currently, there are ten applications from across the country. Dr. Spellman reported that since the program is growing in its reputation, they are considering moving the cutoff date for applications from April 15 to February 15 to be competitive with other graduate programs.

MBA-AM: Dr. David Scarborough. Dr. Scarborough reported that the program has 8 applications for this fall. The new MBA-AM marketing brochure will be ready for distribution. Initial advertizing includes 'sticky pad ads" in the Rapid City Journal and Chamber of Commerce insert ads. In addition, he has arranged various speaking engagements. Likewise, they are looking at billboards and radio ads. The council suggested BHSU radio and TV as well as SD public radio.

Dr. Ahmad moved to approve the **Minutes** for the February meeting. Dr. Spellman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

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