MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE

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Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), J. Marshall, R. Raeisi, P. Trueblood, D. Vera, S. Tracz, T. Skeen, A. Nambiar

Members Absent: M. Lopez (excused)

Guests: Amanda McKeith, Steven Rocca, Randy Perry of Animal Sciences and Agricultural Education

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:10 p.m. in TA #117

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the minutes of April 28, 2015 with the following amendment: Add 5.c—MSC to approve M.A. in Art as a program of quality and promise
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.

Dean Marshall reminded the committee of the May 7 graduate student symposium.

1. Name change—M.S. Animal Science to M.S. Agricultural Science
	1. Professors McKeith, Rocca and Perry explained that the above name change would help to expand their graduate degree programs which currently have 1 to 3 students. They would add a project AGRI 298 option. It is hoped the new degree name, revised curriculum, and project option would attract Agricultural Education students. Two new faculty positions will be filled. The curriculum will be updated as detailed in the Catalog Statement Revision Request document. They’re also considering adding online classes; in order to do that, they’re looking at Chico State’s program which is online.
	2. The Graduate Committee discussed the proposal. MSC to approve the name change.
2. MSC to adjourn at 2:50 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. in TA 117.

Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of 5/05/15
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Communications and Announcements
4. Information on upcoming Program Reviews: Aide Navarro
5. New business for 2015-2016