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Members Present: T. Skeen (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, K. Carey,
N. Mahalik, Z. Wang.

Members Absent: S. Skelton (excused), R. Yazdipour (excused).

The meeting was called to order by Chair T. Skeen at 2:05 p.m. in the Thomas Admin. Bldg., Room #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of September 15, 2009.
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. Chair T. Skeen mentioned that several program review proposals are coming up during 2009-2010.
 - b. S. Brown-Welty mentioned that the department of Educational Research and Administration is preparing a proposal for an off-campus Masters Degree in Education Administration. The department will send the proposal to this Committee soon for review.
 - c. Dean K. Carey mentioned she would form a campus-wide faculty group in order to look at the culminating courses (Thesis vs. Project).
4. Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee Appointment.

MSC to reappoint Marianne Jones from Child, Family and Consumer Sciences to the Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee.
5. Spanish Linguistic Option.

Chair T. Skeen did not receive Student Outcome Assessment Plan (SOAP) related documents from Y. Doub and K. Johnson (Arts and Humanities): discussion is postponed to the next week.

6. Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

MSC to approve the requests to eliminate GRE requirement for the following graduate programs:

- a. MFA in English
- b. Linguistics
- c. Spanish MA
- d. MA in Literature and Composition
- e. Social Works
- f. All Master's program in the School of Education

7. Report on Graduate Culture.

The Committee discussed the statistical data (Graduate Student survey and Graduate Coordinator/Faculty survey) from the Task Force on Graduate Culture.

8. Graduate Research Symposium.

- a. Graduate Research Symposium was successful in 2009.
- b. The tentative date for Graduate Research Symposium for this year is Thursday, May 6, 2010.
- c. S. Brown-Welty and Dean K. Carey will plan ahead to conduct the symposium prior to the Convocation.

MSC to adjourn at 2:55 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the Thomas Administration Bldg., Room #117.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 9/22/09.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. Spanish Linguistics Option.
5. University Graduate Petition Committee.
6. Graduate Record Exam (GRE) – Nursing.