## Minutes Commission on Graduate Studies & Policies September 19, 2012 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Graduate School Conference Room

Present: Ms. Shaimaa Abdallah for Shahram Amini, Mr. Mehmet Altin, Ms. Janice Austin, Dr. Chad Bolding, Dr. Karen DePauw, Ms. Nancy Dudek, Dr. Bernice Hausman, Dr. Karen Hult, Mr. Jalali Mohammad, Dr. Alan Brown for Dr. Wayne Neu, Dr. Mayuressh Patil, Mr. Greg Purdy, Dr. Gene Seago, Dr. Victoria Soghomonian, Dr. Stephen Smith, Dr. Dan Thorp

Absent with Notification: Mr. Jordon Booker, Dr. Marc Brodsky, Dr. Kay Dunkley, Dr. Joe Eifert, Dr. Aliresa Haghighat, Dr. Jennifer Hodgson, Dr. Tyler Walters

Absent without Notification: Dr. Patrick Miller

Visitors and Invited Guests: Dr. Janet Rankin

Dr. Mayuresh Patil, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Approval of the agenda: Approved.

Approval of the minutes from September 5, 2012: Approved with minor changes.

## **Committee Reports**

<u>Graduate Curriculum Committee (GCC)</u>: No report. The minutes from the recent meeting will be available at the October  $3^{rd}$  meeting.

<u>Graduate Student Appeals</u>: The committee is finishing up an appeal and will forward their recommendation to Dr. DePauw.

Graduate Student Relations (GSR): No report.

<u>Degree Requirements, Standards, Criteria, and Academic Progress (DRSCAP</u>): Dr. Stephen Smith will serve on the committee. Dr. DePauw will attend the first DRSCAP committee meeting.

Graduate Student Assembly Report (GSA):

- Fall happy hour was a success
- First delegate meeting is this week
- The Graduate School / Professional Fair is next week

<u>Graduate Honor System (GHS)</u>: A letter from Mr. Jordon Booker is posted in Scholar. Dr. DePauw would like Mr. Booker to describe his educational initiatives at a future meeting. Dr. Rankin noted that GHS panelists were offering educational sessions as part of the GTA training.

University Library Committee (ULC): No report. The committee has not met.

University Council: On Monday, the council discussed commission goals for the year.

<u>Graduate School</u>: Dr. DePauw concluded her progress report and priorities for 2012-2013.

## **Old Business**:

(1) Dr. DePauw asked the commission for their input on strategic planning foci, including but not excluded to:

- increasing graduate enrollment,
- developing new innovative and globally relevant graduate programs,
- maintaining the quality of existing graduate degree programs,
- continuing to enhance and expand graduate education with professional development courses and activities
- supporting and encouraging interdisciplinary and collaborative opportunities,
- enhancing a strong, diverse and globally inclusive graduate community
- embracing digitally enhanced learning, and
- improving efficient and effective operations
- 1000 additional graduate students
- faculty hires, assistantship stipends, staff
- labs, work space, library resources
- family housing, child care
- degrees, interdisciplinary
- NCR specific leverage opportunities
- health sciences faculty
- TGE and professional related programs
- global opportunities
- technology and delivery mechanisms
- degrees certificates courses
- semesters exec degree formats within semester weekends
- collaborations

(2) Graduate Education by Numbers: Commission members voiced no objections, so Dr. DePauw is moving forward with the presentation of the data

(3) Research hours, 7994, 5994: will be on October  $3^{rd}$  agenda.

New Business: None.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Ms. Nancy Feuerbach, on behalf of Dr. Karen P. DePauw, Vice President and Dean for Graduate Education