**Graduate Council Meeting**

**25 September 2012**

Present: J. Newkirk, V. Allada, L. Costoplos, S. Matson, C. Wilson, V. Hudgins, F. Montgomery, K. Wagner (alternate for R. Landers & S.N. Balakrishnan), Y. Lin, Nah (alternate for V. Yu), E. Cudney, D. Wright, G. Hilmas

**1) April 23rd Meeting Minutes-** Approved (Motion: Montgomery, Seconded: Wright)

**2) 400 Special Problems courses for lecture requirement in Course of Study**

Dr. Newkirk provided background information. Discussion: Dr. Allada- Rule already exists in Graduate Catalog, however, Graduate Studies is being asked to grant exceptions to the rule by some departments. Hilmas- concerned with lowering standards. Conclusion: VPGS will enforce rule as written in Graduate Catalog.

Motion (Montgomery): Graduate Council will not change the Graduate Catalog rule concerning 400 level courses. Seconded by Cudney. Voted, approved.

**3) Thesis/Dissertation Students & Advisor Research Integrity Agreement Form**

Presentation of example form- Dr. Newkirk (provided by Dr. Allada). Discussion: Dr. Hilmas- Concern that faculty will not want to sign for fear of legal ramifications.

Motion (Montgomery): Graduate Council will work on developing a statement tailored for S&T. Edit to motion (Hilmas): Drs. Newkirk and Allada to develop statement, Hilmas to review. Will present at future Graduate Council meeting. Seconded by Cudney. Voted, approved.

**4) Professional and Scholarly Integrity Training Requirement and Form**

Dr. Newkirk presented example from other university and background information. Discussion.

Motion (Cudney): Implement the integrity training for graduate students in one year. Seconded by Nah. Voted, approved.

**5) Tabled from 10/4/11: Graduate Certificates-Admission Requirements**

Motion (Montgomery): Table item until next meeting. Seconded by Cudney.

**6) Dr. Newkirk- Short discussion of agenda items not covered in meeting sue to time constraints.**

**No New Business**

Motion to adjourn meeting: Montgomery. Seconded: Cudney

Meeting adjourned 4:34 pm.