

## **Minutes of the Graduate Faculty Meeting of December 6, 1999**

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 in UCE 101 by Chair Don Madison:

The minutes of the meeting on September 13, 1999, were approved as presented.

Vice-Chancellor Walt Gajda reported on the (lack of ) progress on the graduate stipend reduction and fee waiver plan. He said that complications exist as follows: (1) some departments already pay fees, so a reduction of the stipend to pay fees does not work well for them, (2) the business office sees problems with administration of the engineering fee, the engineering supplemental fee, and others. The School of Engineering proposes that the departments use their GTA/GRA funds to provide a uniform stipend plus fees paid for each student. The matter was deferred until the next meeting.

The issue of graduate students taking undergraduate courses not required for their graduate degree under the 6/9 hour rule was discussed. Some way of prohibiting students from getting fee waivers for those courses was sought. After some discussion it was moved and seconded that the following statement be approved:

Courses that are not prerequisites for courses approved on Forms 1, 1a, or 6 for the graduate degree sought shall not be covered by the fee waiver under the 6/9 rule.

The statement was approved.

It was moved and seconded that new graduate faculty members and continuation of graduate faculty members recommended by the membership committee be approved. The motion passed.

It was moved and seconded that the amended list of December graduates with masters and doctorate degrees be approved. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at about 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary K. Patterson, Secretary