

**Graduate Faculty Meeting Minutes
April 30th, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 3:06pm.

1) Approve minutes from December 5th, 2011 meeting.

Motion to approve: Krishnamurthy
Seconded: Tauritz
Voted, Approved

2) Commencement List:

- a. Additions: Travis Rhoden- HCI Graduate Certificate
 - b. Removal: Christina Jung- Engineering Management, MS
- Motion to approve: Tauritz
Seconded: Fisher
Voted, Approved

3) Motion #1: The Graduate Faculty Council recommends to the Graduate Faculty that either electronic or bound theses or dissertations may be submitted effective September 1st, 2012.

- a. Friendly Amendment (Weaver): "bound" changed to "print" copy.
Seconded: Fisher
Voted, Approved

4) Motion #2: The Graduate Faculty Council recommends to the Graduate Faculty that only electronic submissions of all theses and dissertations be required by June 1st 2013.

- a. Friendly Amendment (Allada): add "in cooperation with the library".
Seconded: Tauritz
Voted, Approved

5) Motion #3: The Graduate Faculty Council recommends to the Graduate Faculty that all bound submissions of theses and dissertations be eliminated beginning June 1st, 2013.

- a. Friendly Amendment (Samaranayake): keep language consistent in each motion ("bound" to "print").
Seconded: Tauritz
Voted, Approved

6) Motion #4: The Graduate Faculty Council recommends to the Graduate Faculty that a hold option of 1, 2 or 5 years be available on Form 2 & 7 for release of theses and dissertations.

- a. Discussion:
 - i. Krishnamurthy: Who can place the hold?
 - ii. Tauritz: Security issue: sensitive research. Should an indefinite hold be an option?
 - iii. Krishnamurthy- If held for more than 5 years, it should be reviewed and approved to extend the hold.
 - iv. Strassner- First to File Act will kick in March, 2013 to encourage faster filing of patents.
 - v. President Newkirk- too large of a topic- must be reviewed by Graduate Council.
 - vi. Tauritz motions to table, Graduate Faculty denies motion.

vii. Motion is referred back to the Graduate Council for review.

7) **No new business**

Meeting is adjourned at 4:02pm