The meeting was called to order by President Lee Wilkins at 3:00 p.m. in S016 Memorial Union.

Senators and administrative representatives attending: Lee Wilkins, Teresa Cooney, Sanda Erdelez, Gail Fitzgerald, Judith Goodman, Andrew Hoberek, Glenn Leshner, Ken Shaw, Alan Strathman, Michael Urban, Steve Van Doren, Kate Hertweck (Graduate Student Association), and Sheryl Tucker, Jana Moore, and Ruth Erwin (Graduate School).

Senators and administrative representatives absent: Ian Aberbach, Naz Islam, Anthony Lupo, Jan Segert, and Pam Benoit.

A motion and second were made to approve the minutes of September 2, 2008. The minutes were approved.

**Graduate School Report**

**NRC Report**

Dr. Tucker indicated that an update on the NRC rankings had been posted on the NRC website. She indicated that the statistical methodology report should be out in late October or early November and Dr. Benoit was working with Institutional Research to be prepared when the rankings are eventually released.

**Bologna Accord**

Dr. Tucker indicated that Dr. Benoit was also working with Diane Carlin from the Council of Graduate Schools on a date Dr. Carlin could visit campus and discuss the Bologna Accord with the Senate and other representatives on campus.

**Graduate Student Association**

Ms. Hertweck indicated that the GSA had a great turnout at their first meeting. She indicated GSA would be involved in several professional development events this year. The first is the Body Project with the Department of English. The Body Project will have the same topic as last year, but the conference will continue to be very interdisciplinary.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**
Dr. Wilkins asked the Senators how using Blackboard was working with regard to reviewing Senate agenda items. They indicated that it was nice to have the documents available.

**Graduate Certificate Proposal B Health Informatics**

Dr. Leshner indicated that the Academic Affairs Committee reviewed the proposal and did not find any problems. A motion and second were made to approve the Graduate Certificate Proposal for Health Informatics proposed by the Department of Health Management and Informatics. The graduate certificate would serve as both (a) a stand-alone certificate program for non-degree learners and (b) an integrated certificate program for degree-seeking University of Missouri students who are enrolled in a graduate degree program. The motion was approved.

**Doctoral Faculty Criteria for MU Informatics Institute**

Dr. Leshner indicated that the Academic Affairs reviewed the criteria and did not have any concerns with it. Dr. Tucker provided background on the request. This fall the Informatics PhD. Program accepted its first students. The degree has two emphasis areas **B** an emphasis in Bioinformatics on the College of Engineering side and an emphasis in Health Informatics on the School of Medicine side. The Informatics Institute has core tenure track faculty in both the College of Engineering and School of Medicine and under the criteria proposed those faculty have been appointed to the Doctoral Faculty in their home departments and will not be re-reviewed by MUII. Discussion followed. A motion and second were made to approve the criteria with a revision of the fourth bullet **B** Members must direct at least one Ph.D. dissertation work in informatics related areas in the past five years, but is not necessarily a condition for new faculty or faculty whose home department does not have any PhD. program before joining in the faculty of MUII.**B** The motion was approved. Dr. Tucker will contact MUII regarding the requested revision.

**Graduate Certificate Proposal B TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)**

Dr. Leshner introduced the graduate proposal to the Senate. Discussion followed related to comments posted on the Blackboard site **B** clarification of whether candidates must have teaching certification, the need for the proposed certificate, is there a need for schools in the state of Missouri, is certificate and certification the same, how is this certificate marketed outside the United States, quality of the program (on campus students must have 21 hours **B** online program has 15), how spoken English would be assessed in the online proposal**B**since spoken English is a part of the program. Senators wondered if there was a real need for an international audience and why and who was the department targeting. The Senate would like additional information before the next meeting to discuss the proposal again. A representative from the proposal could be invited to discuss the concerns. Items to be addressed include: documentation for the need of the certificate; how much need is there
instate/domestically/internationally for the certificate; what are admissions requirements; how language, both oral and written, will be evaluated, how students in program will be evaluated, i.e., fieldwork/practicum; how department will handle the staffing needs to offer the certificate. The Senate would like to see another revision of the proposal. A motion and second were made to request the department address all items of concern. The motion was approved.

**Doctoral Faculty Criteria for Art History and Archaeology**

Dr. Leshner presented the doctoral faculty criteria for Art History and Archaeology to the Senate. Questions were raised concerning the number of publications required for membership on the Doctoral Faculty. Dr. Tucker indicated that departments across campus have general to very specific numbers of publications and that the only criteria needed on publications was to meet the minimum requirement for Doctoral Faculty approved by the Intercampus Doctoral Council in 1974. That requirement is that members must document significant achievement in research or scholarly or creative activities, which demonstrates mature, sustained, independent work and which has brought professional recognition by national standards. In most instances, recognition will be demonstrated by publication of articles in refereed journals or other creative activity. Other evidence includes invited papers or lectures, receipt of national research grants or awards, and national senior postdoctoral fellowships. Members shall demonstrate current involvement in research, scholarly, or creative activity. Dr. Tucker indicated earlier in the summer the department had submitted to her significantly less criteria and she indicated that the GFS would not approve the proposed criteria. She had provided them with the criteria approved for Doctoral Faculty membership in 1974 and the revised criterion is fashioned after that general criteria. A motion and second were made to approve the Doctoral Faculty criteria for the Department of Art History and Archaeology. The motion was approved.

**Other Business**

None

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. with the next meeting to be Tuesday, October 28, 2008 at 3:00 pm in S016 Memorial Union.

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