

## University Graduate and Professional Council

2008-2009

Minutes January 20, 2009

**Members present:** Nancy Hogan, Jeff Hardesty, Olukemi Fadayomi, , Ali Abbasabadi, Renee Koski, Nancy Lashaway-Bokina, Marrietta Bell-Scriber, Lon Green, Don Flickinger

**Previous Business:**

Graduate Assistant Policy.

**New Business:**

Today, Assistant VP Don Flickinger brought encouraging news from the administration about more support for graduate education. Thus, in looking at the Graduate Assistant policy, a discussion ensued about what we really should incorporate into the policy. Divisions such as teaching assistants, graduate assistants, and/or research assistant need to be examined as well as the differences between part-time and full-time students. Also, a discussion with the professional colleges and their needs pertaining to graduate professional students needs to occur. Issues such as wages, tuition waivers, pay rates, doctoral students, and job classification in Banner need to be explored. Currently, Section II, C. has already been approved, which includes keys, parking, office space, etc. Members were asked to go back to their own institution to get current policies. From this, we will begin to rewrite a more expansive policy.

Marietta presented the MSN Proposal "Development of a New Accelerated Nursing Track: RN to MSN". There is a trend to accelerate programs by creating hybrids. A revised proposal will be forthcoming discussing whether or not students receive the BSN before the MSN or if they just receive the MSN. After discussion, the Council approved this proposal.

Next meeting is February 10, 2009 in 526 BISHOP

Meeting adjourned: 12:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
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