MINUTES
BSU Graduate Committee Meeting
Friday, April 9, 2010
1 pm  314 Sattgast Hall

Committee Website: http://faculty.bemidjistate.edu/ckippenhan/BSUGradCom/

Members Present: Louise Jackson, Hal Gritzmacher, Christel Kippenhan, Todd Frauenholtz, Richard Koch, Tim Kroeger, Mark Christensen, Pat Welle, Vince Vohnout, and Joan Miller

Members Absent: Dianne Narum, Patricia Rogers

I. Approval of the Minutes of March 31, 2010 (Document #1)
Pat Welle moved (Tim Kroeger 2nd) to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

II. Reminders/FYI
Christel/Pat Rogers and Louise/Nancy Erickson will do the hooding of the graduate students at the commencement ceremony.

III. Business
1. Grad Faculty Criteria and IFO/MnSCU Master Agreement > Information from Doug Leif (Document #2)...see discussion items below...
   • Can see how the two documents could be interpreted differently
   • Graduate Faculty status is not designed to give faculty tenure or not tenured; designed to determine if faculty is qualified to serve in this capacity
   • Dept is to give 2/3 vote according to Nomination Form
   • Should the Nomination Form be changed so the Dean requests a tally of the vote rather than Departmental approval?
   • There is a contradiction in the Nomination Form and the IFO Contract
   • Is the Graduate Faculty Status process a personnel matter?
     Determined that is possibly could be.

Pat Welle asked (Hal 2nd) for further clarification from the Executive Committee as to whether the word approval on the Nomination Form is the issue. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Wed., April 14 at 11 a.m. in Sattgast 314.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by,
Joan Miller

2. Continued discussion of the Grad Faculty Orientation
   A. Finish Grad Faculty Advising

   B. Grad Rep for Oral Defense

3. Other business