BSU Graduate Committee Meeting
Friday, October 22, 2010
10 am 314 Sattgast Hall

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

Members Present: Virgil Bakken, Christel Kippenhan, Rick Koch, Michael Urban, Vince Vohnout, Patricia Hartshorn
Members Absent: Mark Christensen, Todd Frauenholtz, John Gonzalez, Joan Miller, Diane Narum, Patricia Rogers, Patrick Welle,
Guests:

Agenda:

- No quorum
- Rick Koch discussed his and Mark’s conclusions on the theses submitted for MAGS and the Creativity award; he claims they do not recommend forwarding either on to MAGS. Further discussion about who, if anybody, should receive the Creativity Award, will be at a later meeting.
- Christel discussed some of the catalog subcommittee’s review. She encourages other committee members to look at the review and consider giving input (See bolded below). Christel provided this information for committee members so that they will be prepared to discuss the catalog when the committee has a quorum.
- No date has been set at this time for the next Graduate Committee meeting.

I. Approval of the Minutes of Oct. 15, 2010 (Document #1)

II. Reminders/FYI
   1. First Call: 2010-11 Graduate Student Mini Grants - Submission deadline: Nov. 24, 2010
   2. Graduate Faculty Resource Room

III. Business
   1. BSU Graduate Creativity Award - Nomination deadline for MAGS: Nov. 1, 2010
   2. Grad Catalog Issues
      A. Removal of Provisional Status:
      "Students admitted on a provisional basis are required to achieve at least a 3.00 ("B") GPA in their first eight (8) credits of 6000-level course work attempted at the graduate level. In addition, provisionally admitted students will be required to satisfy any course work deficiencies indicated by the departments/programs." – Christel would like members to review this section and consider some possibilities for clarifying or correcting conflicts in this section
      B. Workshop, Institutes, Tours – Christel mentions this needs to be reviewed and cleaned up
      C. Student Dismissal
      "A student in the graduate studies program who has been admitted on an approved status or a student with Graduate Special status whose GPA falls below the scholarship standards, as previously defined, will be placed on probation and permitted two (2) additional semester registrations. If a cumulative GPA of at least a 3.00 ("B") is not achieved upon completion of these two (2) semesters of course work, the student will be dismissed from the graduate studies program for a period of one calendar year. A graduate student who is dismissed may appeal by contacting the Dean, School of Graduate Studies. For information on readmission requirements, see Readmission after Dismissal, Section IV."
      "A graduate who is dismissed based on academic performance or academic irregularities may petition for readmission following an absence of one calendar year. The petition for readmission requires the
approval of the department/program chair and the Dean of Graduate Studies." – Christel brought this to committee members’ attention; no decisions are yet made.
3. Grad Faculty criteria/application
   A. Abstention votes
   B. IFO/MnSCU Master Agreement (please review Article 20 Section A)
   C. Rescinding grad faculty status?
4. HLC Report: Implications for Graduate Studies - Next Step?
5. Other business