GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

CHAIRED BY:	David S. Chapman	TIME:	3:00 pm
DATE:	27 August 2007	PLACE:	300 Park Building

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:</u> Steve Bealer, Ann Marie Breznay, Julie Fritz, Bill Hesterly, Jay Mace, John Martinez, Pat Murphy, Sally Planalp, Kevin Rathunde, Mary Jane Taylor, Patrick Tresco, Rick Wacko, Robert Young, Jingyi Zhu

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: David Chapman, Nancy Nickman, Fred Rhodewalt, Lisa Blair, the Graduate School

EXCUSED: Nicki Camp, John McDonnell

FINAL AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the 7 May 2007 meeting were approved unanimously.

2. Graduate Council Roster and Committee Assignments

New members Jay Mace (Meteorology), Jay Martinez (Law) and Patrick Tresco (Bioengineering) were introduced. The roster for the Graduate Council Department Review 2007 - 2008 Ad Hoc committees was distributed.

3. Proposal to Create the Confucius Institute in the College of Humanities

Fusheng Wu, Director of the proposed Confucius Institute, and Janet Theiss, Director of the Asian Studies Program presented a proposal to create the Confucius Institute in the College of Humanities.

The Confucius Institute will sponsor lectures, film series, cultural events and other educational activities which will be open to students and the general public. Activities offered by the Institute will be non-credit, and will not compete for classroom space as the majority will be held in evenings and weekends.

Funding for the Confucius Institute programs and events has been secured through the Chinese government. Additionally, the Chinese government will send two teachers per year to staff the Institute. Administrative cost support has been provided by a private donor, in the amount of \$100,000, which will cover cost for 1 part-time administrative position for the next three years.

The Council asked for clarification on the decision of using "Institute" rather than "Center." The Confucius Institute is one of a series of institutes nationally being sponsored by the Chinese government, and changing the name to "Center" is not an option.

The question of maintaining academic standards in light of past and present political issues in China was posed, and according to Dr. Theiss, there will not be censorship.

ACTION TAKEN:

- **Motion:** Approve the proposal to create the Confucius Institute in the College of Humanities
- **Vote:** Approved with 1 against and 1 abstention
- Action: Inform the College of Humanities of the Council's decision to approve the Confucius Institute. Proceed with temporary approval through the Regents Office to ensure final approval before Confucius Institute opening ceremony in October 2007.

4. Proposal to Change the Name of the Institute for Combustion and Energy Studies to the Institute for Clean and Secure Energy in the College of Engineering

Philip J. Smith, Director of the Institute for Combustion and Energy Studies, presented the proposal to change the name of the Institute for Combustion and Energy Studies to the Institute for Clean and Secure Energy.

The name change will reflect the Institute's broader focus, with emphasis on energy issues.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion:	Approve the proposal to change the name of the Institute for Combustion and Energy Studies to the Institute for Clean and Secure Energy.
Vote:	Approved unanimously
Action:	Inform the Institute of Combustion and Energy Studies of the Council's decision to approve the name change to the Institute for Clean and Secure Energy

5. Proposal to Create a Combined Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science and Master of Public Policy Degree in the College of Social and Behavioral Science

Cathleen Zick, Director of the MPP Program, and Angie Stefaniak, Program Manager of the MPP Program, presented the proposal to create a combined Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science and master of Public Policy degree in the College of Social and Behavioral Science.

The student number will start out low, 2 - 3 per year, but it is expected to draw the top students.

The Council asked that the credit hours be increased from the proposed 31 CH to the standard 40 CH.

ACTION TAKEN:

- Motion: Approve
- **Vote:** Approved unanimously
- Action: Inform the Master of Public Policy Program and the College of Social and Behavioral Science of the Graduate Council's decision to approve the creation of a combined BA or BS and MPP degree as amended

6. Formal approval of the Proposal to create a Master of Science in Occupational Health and Master of Occupational Health degrees in the Department of Family and Preventative Medicine

The proposal to create Master of Science in Occupational Health and Master of Occupational Health degrees in the Department of Family and Preventative Medicine was considered by the Graduate Council on 30 April 2007.

The Regents requested the proposal be modified to fit the template from R-401, and that the proposal be written in third person. There were no requests for content change.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion:	Approve the proposal as amended for structure
Vote:	Approved unanimously
Action:	Inform the Department of Family and Preventative Medicine of the Graduate Council's formal approval of the Master of Science in Occupational Health and Master of Occupational Health degrees

7. Proposal to Create a Master of Science in Clinical Investigation (MSCI) in the School of Medicine

The Proposal to create a Master of Science in Clinical Investigation (MCSI) in the School of Medicine will be heard at the 24 September Graduate Council meeting.

8. Review of the Department of Pathology

The Ad Hoc Committee Chair presented the report for the Department of Pathology.

The Council requested the "Actions Taken" listed in Peter Jensen's response be added to the report. It was also noted that the statistics provided by the Office of Budget and Institutional Analysis are significantly different from those of the Department.

ACTION TAKEN:

- Motion: Approve the review as amended
- **Vote:** Approved with 1 abstention
- Action: The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Health Sciences; Chair of the Division of Physiology, Dean of the College of Health, and the Dean and Associate Dean of the Graduate School as facilitators). Following the wrap-up meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding will be prepared by the Associate Dean of the Graduate School. Both the report and the Memorandum of Understanding will be sent to the Senior Vice President of Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate