Minutes of the First Meeting of
The Graduate Council 2005-2006

Date and Time: Thursday, September 1, 2005, at 2:30 p.m.
Place: Provost’s Conference Room, 104 Administration
Attendance: John Borrelli (presiding), Nancy Bell, Stephen Ekwaro-Osire, Nora Griffin-Shirley, Gary Harris, Scott Hein, Hector Hernandez, Aretha Marbley, Richard McGlynn, Madonne Miner, Arturo Olivarez, Mike Parkinson, and Michael Stoune
Ex-officio: Wendell Aycock, Duane Crawford, John Hanson, Pam Johnson

The Graduate Council Minutes will be distributed to the Graduate Council and posted to the Graduate School website at www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool.

1. Minutes of the ninth meeting, held on June 30, 2005, were approved as distributed.

2. The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of their departments:

   Cassie S. Abney ................................................................. Animal Science
   Radha Appan ................................................................. Business Administration
   Prashanth Badrinarayanan ........................................ Chemical Engineering
   April Celeste Church ...................................................... Performance
   Haining Dong ................................................................. Industrial Engineering
   Harshini Fernando ......................................................... Mathematics
   Pamela Jo Fisher ........................................................... Educational Leadership
   Robin Renea Griffith ..................................................... Curriculum & Instruction
   Fang Hu ........................................................................ Biology
   Phairoat Ladavichitkul ................................................ Industrial Engineering
   Shengfu Li ................................................................. Chemistry
   Elisa Liu ................................................................. Hospitality Administration
   Lane Mayon ................................................................. Spanish
   Rathnamali Palamakumbura ........................................ Mathematics
   Andrea Leigh Pobanz ................................................... Conducting
   Shankar Kollengodu Subramanian ............................. Chemical Engineering
   Wei Wang ................................................................. Chemical Engineering
   Yining Wang ................................................................. Chemistry
   Jason Williams ............................................................. Chemical Engineering
   Kristopher R. Wilson .................................................. Animal Science
   Kathleen E. Woods ......................................................... Counselor Education
   Xitao Xie ...................................................................... Chemistry
3. Graduate Faculty:

a. The Graduate Council considered and approved 36 applicants for Graduate Faculty. The new members are:

Aaron Adair (Theatre and Dance)
Susan H. Allen (Political Science)
Devender Banda (Human Development and Family Studies)
Glen Biglaiser (Political Science)
Robert C. Bishop (Philosophy)
Peter Briggs (Museum Science) (Adjunct)
Kaylene Brown (Educational Psychology and Leadership) (Adjunct)
Dorothy Chansky (Theatre and Dance)
Stephen C. Cobb (Health, Exercise, and Sport Sciences)
Claudia Cogliser (Business Administration/Management)
James Thomas Decker (School of Music) (Visiting)
Tina Delahunt (Economics & Geography)
Stephen DeMaso (Range, Wildlife, and Fisheries) (Adjunct)
Keith G. Dye (School of Music) (Visiting)
Janis Johnston Elliott (Art)
Venkat Eleswarapu (Business Administration/Finance)
Michael Farmer (Agricultural and Applied Economics)
William L. Gardner (Business Administration/Management)
Craig Goodman (Political Science)
Nuray Gunner (Business Administration/Finance) (Visiting)
Neal D. Judisch (Philosophy) (Visiting)
Kundan N. Kishor (Economics & Geography)
Bradford C. Leali (School of Music)
Thomas Longoria (Political Science)
Lewis Magruder (Theatre and Dance)
Ronald K. Mitchell (Business Administration/Management)
Valerie Paton (Educational Psychology and Leadership) (Adjunct)
A. Faiz Rahman (Range, Wildlife, and Fisheries)
Sandra Rideout-Hanzak (Range, Wildlife, and Fisheries)
David Rudd (Psychology)
Shannon Sanderson (Educational Psychology and Leadership) (Adjunct)
Kamau Siwat (Educational Psychology and Leadership)
Peter M. Summers (Economics & Geography)
Richard Wagoner (Educational Psychology and Leadership) (Visiting)
Anisa M. Zvonkovic (Human Development and Family Studies)

b. One Graduate Faculty member from Educational Psychology and Leadership was considered for reappointment and was reappointed to a six-year term.
4. Sealing of dissertations and theses after the official title page has been signed. The following statement was approved by a vote of the Graduate Council:

   *When the dissertation committee believes that the dissertation is acceptable for a “pass” with minor revisions, all committee members except for the chairperson may sign the title page. The chairperson is responsible for making certain that the minor revisions are made before s/he signs the title page. After all committee members have signed the title page, it is forwarded to the Thesis/Dissertation Supervisor at the Graduate School. Although the Thesis/Dissertation Supervisor may require changes in formatting, the supervisor is not responsible for editing the entire dissertation. Such editing must be done well in advance of the dissertation defense and certainly before it is sent to the Thesis/Dissertation Supervisor.*

   *In other words, once the dissertation committee members sign the title page, the author submits the dissertation to the Graduate School, and the Thesis/Dissertation Supervisor reviews the work and forwards it to the Library, the work is locked and no further changes can be made in the dissertation.*

5. Other business
   a. Non-degree graduate students follow the same requirements as do students who are pursuing graduate degrees, such as maintaining a 3.0 GPA. Being placed on suspension puts a hold on the student’s record that can only be removed by the Graduate Dean or an Associate Graduate Dean.
   b. The Graduate Certificate Program is in place and departments are asked to begin developing certificate programs. The Academic Program Committee will review the proposals as usual.

The next Graduate Council meeting will be on October 6, 2005, at 2:30 p.m. in the Provost’s Conference Room, 104 Administration.