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

Date and Time: Thursday, October 6, 2005, at 2:30 p.m.
Place: Provost’s Conference Room, 104 Administration
Attendance: Wendell Aycock (presiding), Nancy Bell, Stephen Ekwaro-Osire, Nora Griffin-Shirley, Saif-ul Haq, Gary Harris, Scott Hein, Richard McGlynn, and Mike Parkinson
Ex-officio: Duane Crawford, Cliff Fedler, and John Hanson
Guest: Eduardo Segarra

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 first meeting, held on September 1, 2005, were approved as distributed.

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

   Abdulrahman Alhabshi ................................................................. Civil Engineering
   Loralyn Faith Cartwright ............................................................ Counselor Education
   Naveen Chandrashekhar .............................................................. Mechanical Engineering
   Jacky Dumas ................................................................................... English
   Daphne Ervin .............................................................. Technical Communication & Rhetoric
   Gail Folkins ...................................................................................... English
   Marilyn G. Haight .............................................................. Educational Psychology
   Amanda Nicole Harmon ............................................................ Counselor Education
   Cixin He ............................................................................................ Biology
   James Hogue ..................................................................................... Instructional Technology
   Tanveerul Islam .................................................... Land Use Planning Management & Design
   Toni Jensen ...................................................................................... English
   Mohammad Munim Hussain ..................................................... Environmental Toxicology
   Kootak Kang .................................................................................... Industrial Engineering
   Halil Dincer Kaya ................................................................. Business Administration
   Karen Killinger Mann ................................................................. Animal Science
   Jihwan Kim ....................................................................................... Mechanical Engineering
   Daphne L. Lewis .............................................................. Instructional Technology
   Tara Lockwood .................................................................................... Spanish
   Patrick Logue ..................................................................................... Instructional Technology
   Lora Lee Manship ..................................................................................... Geosciences
   Natalia Matveeva ............................................................. Technical Communication & Rhetoric
   Kirsten Orwig ..................................................................................... Civil Engineering
   Miguel Regueiro................................................................. Civil Engineering
   Sribhagyam Srinivasan ............................................................. Instructional Technology
   Sammy J. Van Hoose .............................................................. Instructional Technology
   Susan Veronikas ..................................................................................... Instructional Technology
   Natalie N. Warren ........................................................................... Curriculum & Instruction
3. Graduate Faculty:

   a. The Graduate Council considered and approved 24 applicants for Graduate Faculty. The new members are:

   John Beusterien (Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures)
   Arthur Charles Durband (Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work)
   Andrew Farley (Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures)
   Maria Fontenot (Mass Communications)
   Dale Griffie (Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures) (Visiting)
   Justin Hart (History)
   Bennett Heiman (Architecture)
   Timothy Huerta (BA-Management) (Visiting)
   Rajesh Khare (Chemical Engineering)
   Min-Joo Kim (English)
   Catherine L. Langford (Communication Studies)
   Bill Lemon (Biological Sciences)
   John R. (Ron) Milam (History)
   Carmen Pereira-Muro (Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures)
   Sean Rice (Biological Sciences)
   Julie Rosenheimer (Biological Sciences)
   Jong-Shik Shin (Chemical Engineering)
   Su-Jeong Shin (Design)
   Dean Smith (Biological Sciences) (Admin. Assign.)
   Sara Spurgeon (English)
   Victoria Surluga (Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures)
   Pawan S. Takhar (Animal and Food Sciences)
   Dolly Wilson (History)
   Zhixin Xie (Biological Sciences)

4. Academic Requests:

   a. The following courses were approved:

   RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
   ISQS 6347 Data and Text Mining for Business Intelligence (Change in title from Advanced

   COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
   CE 5371 Advanced Geometric Design of Highways (Addition)
   CE 5372 Advanced Traffic Engineering I – Highway Capacity Analysis (Addition)
   CE 5373 Advanced Traffic Engineering II – Traffic Flow Theory & Control (Addition)
b. The Graduate Council approved a new program for a Master of Agribusiness. Dr. Eduardo Segarra, Chair of the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, presented highlights of the program and the proposal has been forwarded to the Academic Council.

5. Growing Graduate Programs – Investments for FY 2006

The following information was distributed:

**College of Architecture**

Funds for brochures, web site development, and recruiting trips--$15,200

**College of Arts & Sciences**

Support of History faculty member and her recruiting program--$2,400  
Support for two faculty members in Mathematics and Statistics and their recruiting program--$34,200  
Development of three research proposals in Chemistry and Biochemistry--$63,000  
Support of two RAs in English to help with ATP proposals--$30,000  
Support of Iron Horse Journal and the creative writing program in English--$10,000

**Rawls College of Business**

Advertising--$15,000  
Graduate Assistantship to support recruiting--$15,000  
Recruiting Fairs--$10,000  
Student visits--$10,000  
General recruiting expenses--$2,200

**College of Education**

Staff person for graduate student support--$30,000  
Technical support person for distance learning program--$30,000  
Two RAs for developing distance learning courses--$46,000  
Travel to Funding Agencies--$20,000
College of Engineering

Student visits, brochures, and web site development in Electrical and Computer Engineering--$38,000
Brochure development and recruitment of distance learning students from companies-$9,000
Faculty recruiting trips and brochure development--$24,750

College of Human Sciences

Three assistantships to maintain a pipeline for graduate students--$61,080

College of Visual & Performing Arts

Development of Instruction at a Distance--$10,000
Targeted recruitment in Fine Arts Doctoral Program--$25,000
Targeted recruitment in Music Education--$7,350

ICASALS

Graduate Scholarships--$10,000
Posters--$700
Flyers in Spanish--$300

Study Abroad

Brochures, posters, scholarships, and recruitment for Peace Corps Initiative--$21,500.

6. Announcements

a. Dissertation/Thesis Symposium

Tuesday, October 18, 2005, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Civil Engineering 205
Speakers: Cliff Fedler, Civil Engineering
Peggy Johnson, Education
Michael San Francisco, Biology
Donald Walker, History

Wednesday, October 19, 2005, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - English/Philosophy 201
Speakers: Roger Barnard, Mathematics
Dominick Casadonte, Chemistry
Janet Pérez, Classical & Modern Languages & Literatures
Steven Richards, Psychology

Anyone planning to attend these sessions of the symposium is requested to email cindy.shepherd@ttu.edu to make reservations. Indicate which session you wish to attend and provide your name, email address, phone number and expected date of graduation.
b. The Graduate Advisors’ Manual has been updated and will be available on the Graduate School web site in the near future.

c. The annual fellowship reception was held on October 4, 2005. Approximately 120 graduate scholarships and fellowships are awarded each year ranging from $500 - $4500 each. Four of the fellowship recipients spoke on what the fellowship meant to them. The reception is a valuable time for the donors and recipients to meet and socialize.

The next Graduate Council meeting will be on November 3, 2005, at 2:30 p.m. in the Provost’s Conference Room, 104 Administration.