MEETING OF THE 2007-2008 GRADUATE COUNCIL

Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Thursday, April 3, 2008--8:00 a.m.
Mississippi Room—Student Center

AGENDA

Announcement of Proxies—Associate Dean Wilson

1. Consideration of the minutes of the March 6, 2008, Graduate Council meeting.

2. Remarks—Chancellor Treviño

3. Remarks—Interim Provost Rice

4. Announcements—Vice Chancellor Koropchak, Associate Vice Chancellor Rice, and Associate Deans Wilson & Mead

5. Faculty Senate—Professor Stockdale

6. Announcements—Professor Tragoudas

7. Nominations to Committees—Professor Colwell

8. GPSC Report—Shelly McGrath

9. Report of Programs Committee—Professor Hofling

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESOLUTION

RATIONALE: At their regular fall meeting, a quorum of the faculty of the College of Business and Administration unanimously approved empowering the Dean of the College to request a change in the name of the College from “College of Business and Administration” to “College of Business.” The reason for the change is that the current name is outdated and does not accurately reflect the academic offerings at the college. There are no costs associated with the name change.

RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the change of the name of the College of Business and Administration to the College of Business.
ANNOUNCEMENT of RESOLUTION

RATIONALE: The members of the Center for Systematic Biology voted unanimously to disband the center, and to fold its membership largely into the new Center for Ecology. With the dissolution of the center, there will no longer be an entity to oversee the Certificate Program in Systematic Biology. No students are currently enrolled in the certificate program and there are no costs associated with the change.

RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the elimination of the Certificate in Systematic Biology in the College of Science and the elimination of the Center for Systematic Biology under the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Dean.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESOLUTION

RATIONALE: The purpose of the Master of Engineering Degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering is to offer a non-research master's degree in order to fulfill the new requirement implemented by the National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors that 30 credit hours of course work beyond the BS degree be required for licensure as a professional engineer. The program can be completed in one calendar year and should attract practicing engineers as well as new students interested in practice. No costs are associated with creating the new degree.

RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the establishment of a new Master of Engineering Degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering in the College of Engineering.

10. Report of Research Committee—Professor Renzaglia
11. Report of Program Review Committee—Professor Anderson
13. Old Business:
14. New Business: