Graduate Council Resolution (May, 2011)

in Support of RME for Non-Paper Option in MSEd in Health Education

RATIONALE

Whereas, the MSEd. in Health Education currently has only a thesis option. The addition of a non-thesis option (consisting of 6 hours of Independent Study work with a faculty member on a practitioner-based project) will make the program more appealing to current school and community practitioners both on campus and, in the future, through a distance learning initiative; and

Whereas, the Graduate School Catalog currently states but is not clear on the availability of an alternative project. This change will clarify the nature of 'alternative project;" and

Whereas, those students preparing to enter doctoral programs will still complete a thesis; and

Whereas, this change requires no alteration in curriculum, and will not require new faculty, staff, facilities or dollars, and may well increase enrollment in the program;

RESOLUTION

Therefore be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the proposed RME for a non-paper option in the MSEd in Health Education.