#### **MEETING OF THE 2007-2008 GRADUATE COUNCIL**

Southern Illinois University Carbondale Thursday, May 1, 2008--8:00 a.m. Kaskaskia/Missouri Room—Student Center

# **AGENDA**

Announcement of Proxies—Associate Dean Wilson

- 1. Consideration of the minutes of the April 3, 2008, Graduate Council meeting.
- 2. Remarks—Interim Chancellor Goldman
- 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

### **VOTE ON 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 The reason for the change is that the current name is outdated and does not accurately reflect the academic offerings at the college.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.

### **VOTE ON 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.

## **VOTE ON 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 significant 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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESOLUTION

RATIONALE: This interdisciplinary program for a Master of Science in Mathematics and Science Education is designed to offer advanced training in mathematics and science education for elementary and middle school teachers. It is designed specifically for in-service teachers seeking to improve their subject knowledge and pedagogical and leadership skills in mathematics and science education. This is a non-thesis program. This program will be fully funded for the first three years by the Illinois Mathematics and Science Partnership (IMSP) Grant and additional IMSP and NSF funding is expected beyond the three year period. If the program is not able to be self-supporting, it will be discontinued. The new courses required for this program have been approved at the departmental level. This program is consistent with the mission of SIUC and is supported by the Dean of the College of Science the Dean of the College of Education and Human Services, and the Dean of Library Affairs.

**RESOLUTION:** Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the establishment of a new Master of Science in Mathematics and Science Education in the College of Science.

- 10. Report of Research Committee—Professor Renzaglia
- 11. Report of Program Review Committee—Professor Anderson
- 12. Report of Ed. Policies Committee—Professor Manfredi
- 13. Old Business:
- 14. New Business: