MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Nicole Stedman (Chair), Dr. Monika Ardelt, Dr. Edward Braun, Dr. Brenda Chalfin, Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Dr. Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox, Dr. Corene Matyas, Dr. Aner Sela, and Ms. Karen Coker (GSC representative)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Henry Baker, Dr. Prabir Barooah, Dr. David Janicke, Dr. Ian Flood, Dr. K. Ramesh Reddy, and Paul C. Wassel III (GSC alternate)

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Alyson Adams (College of Education), Dr. Cameron Jack (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Ms. Suzie Burns (Office of Admissions), Dr. Yongpei Guan (College of Engineering), Mr. Michael Kreeger (Office of the University Registrar), Ms. Catherine Pantorno (College of Engineering), and Dr. Hans van Oostrom (College of Engineering)

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Paul Duncan, Ms. Gann Enholm, Dr. Emilia Hodge, Ms. Francesca Tai (Recording), Ms. Patty Van Wert, and Ms. Stacy Wallace

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

Dr. Stedman welcomed everyone to this month’s meeting of the Graduate Council and gave a brief summary of the pending proposals to be presented to the Council.

I. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Minutes from the December 16, 2021 Graduate Council Meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATES:

2. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to create a new graduate certificate in Beekeeping (#16278). Dr. Cameron Jack was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

3. The College of Engineering seeks to create a new graduate certificate in FinTech (#16579). Dr. Yongpei Guan was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2022.

4. The College of Education seeks to create a new graduate certificate in Secondary English Teaching Preparation (#16455). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of summer 2022.
DEGREE:

5. The College of Engineering seeks to create a new Ph.D. degree and a new M.S. degree with majors in Engineering Education (#16485). Dr. Hans van Oostrom was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of spring 2023.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

6. Establish a nominating committee to assist in creating the ballot for new members to serve on Graduate Council for 2022-2025. Dr. Duncan will meet with the retiring members to create a list of candidates.

II. INFORMATION ITEMS / ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:

8. Proposal from the College of Medicine to change the name of the Department of Otolaryngology to the Department of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery (#16389). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.

9. Graduate Programs – Distance or Self-Funded – No new items

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10. Physical presence for examinations. Members discussed the flexibility benefit experiences over the last two years. They will continue to think about the policy and an optimal framework for the future. Staff will prepare draft language for council consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.