The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Dean Judith Walker de Felix. Members in attendance: Wilma Calvert, Maris Gillette, Donald Gouwens, Michael Griffin, Alan Heisel, Beth Huebner, Susan Kashubeck-West, Haitao Li, Teresa Thiel for Wendy Olivas, Dave Robertson for David Kimball, Doug Smith for Donald Sweeney, Wes Harris, associate dean. Members absent: Carl Bassi, Adrian Clingher, Matthew Taylor, Ben Torbert.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the February 20, 2015 meeting were approved.

II. Curriculum Proposals

Council reviewed and approved the following course proposals:

Adult Ed 6440  Developing Critical Thinking through Reading and Writing (new)
Cmp Sci 5012  Enterprise Web Development (change)
Cmp Sci 5750  Cloud Computing (new)
Cmp Sci 5782  Advanced Information Security (new)
Ech Ed 6348  Understanding and Supporting Children’s Math and Science Inquiry (new)
Ech Ed 6535  Assessment, Curriculum, and Research Based Practice Birth-Grade 3 (new)
Ech Ed 6536  Early Childhood Pre-primary Practicum (new)
Ed Psy 6115  Personality and Social Development (change)
Ed Psy 6530  Foundations of School Psychology (change)
Ed Psy 6540  Psychoeducational Interventions (change)
Ed Psy 6542  Social-Emotional and Behavior Interventions (change)
Ed Psy 6550  Professional issues in School Psychology (change)
Ed Rem 6710  Educational Research Methods and Design (change)
Ed Rem 6730  Educational Program Evaluation (change)
Ed Tech 6135  Technology for Preparing Inquiry-Based Teaching (new)
Ed Tech 7070  Higher Education and Technology: Theory and Practice (new)
Educ 7950  Preparation for Writing the Dissertation Proposal (new)
Ele Ed 5989  Practicum I: Elementary/Special Education Site Based Experience (change)
Ele Ed 5990  Practicum II: Elementary/Special Education Site Based Experience (change)
Ele Ed 6241  Science Content, Inquiry-Based Instruction, and Assessment: STEM Integrated Pedagogy (new)
Ele Ed 6246  Math Content Pedagogy, Inquiry-based Instruction and Assessment (new)
Ele Ed 6253  Teaching Social Studies through Reading, Writing, and English Language Learners (new)
Ele Ed 6342  Addressing the Mathematical Needs of Students (new)
Infsys 6805  Applications of Programming for Business Solutions (change)
Infsys 6808  Internet Programming for Business (change)
Infsys 6836  Management of Data Networks and Security (change)
Physics 4347  Introduction to Biophysics (change)
Psych 7485  Research Team
Council approved the following courses pending clarification of the prerequisite. These items have been forwarded to Senate C & I as approved but with comments regarding the prerequisite.

Ele Ed 6337    Teaching and Learning Literacy in the Elementary Classrooms: Teaching Reading and Writing (new)
Ele Ed 6338    Literacy Assessment for Guided instruction (new)

Council reviewed and recommended approval for the following program proposals:

BS/MS Dual Degree program in Biochemistry and Biotechnology (new)
Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity (new)
Graduate Certificate in Elementary School Teaching (new)
Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Teaching (new)
Graduate Certificate in Elementary and Special Education Teaching (new)
M.Ed. Elementary Education option in Elementary Teacher Certification (new)
M.Ed. Elementary Education option in Early Childhood Teacher Certification (new)
M.Ed. Elementary Education option in Elementary and Special Education Teacher Certification (new)
EdS in School Psychology (change)
PhD in Education (change)
MS in Nursing, Advanced Practice Nurse Practitioner (change)
MS in Nursing (change)
MA Communication (change)
Graduate Certificate in Business Intelligence (new) – approved pending minor changes coming through.

Council approved the following proposals but had a question about the description not matching the rationale. This will be conveyed to the Senate C & I for action.

Post MSN Adult-Geriatric Nurse Practitioner Certificate (change)
Post MSN Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate (change)
Post MSN Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certificate (change)
Post MSN Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate (change)
Post MSN Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate (change)

III. **Review of Recruitment Fellowships**

Council awarded recruitment fellowships to the first nominee in each of the following programs: Psychology BN, Business, Biology, Physics, and Psychology IO. If departments submitted more than one nominee and the first nominee turns down the award, the department may award the
fellowship to their second nominee. The award is for $5,000 for up to four years. If any slots remain open, Council will review new nominations through an email vote. Graduate School will send out the official award letters to the students.

IV. Review of Dissertation Fellowships

Council awarded dissertation fellowships for $15,000 each to a student in each category: Ben Colvin, Chemistry in the Math/CS/Physical & Life Sciences category; Jaclyn Cwick, Criminology and Criminal Justice, in the Social Science/Business/Education category. The awards will be disbursed monthly from August 2015 – May 2016.

V. Dean’s Report

The Graduate School Research Fair will be held on Monday, April 20 from 3:30 – 6:00 in the Century Rooms of the MSC. As before, prizes will be awarded in each category. Although the undergraduate posters will be interspersed with the graduate student posters, they will receive awards in their own categories. This year the Graduate School will host a judge’s reception afterwards.

On Saturday, April 25 there will be a St. Louis area undergraduate research symposium sponsored by an association for undergraduate research. This will be the first year that UMSL will participate. As a participant, we will be given a table for recruiting students.

The Dean gave updates on the strategic plan and the Professional and Continuing Studies situation.

If an international student takes online courses in their home country, they are not restricted to homeland security rules.

The Graduate School is working on a gathering of students to discuss their experiences here. The Dean will get a planning group together. They will send out a survey to under-served groups to learn their interests. Drs. Susan Kashubeck-West, Maris Gillette and Angela Coker have volunteered to serve on the planning committee.

Congratulations to the Criminology and Criminal Justice faculty. The graduate program was ranked #4 in the country by U.S. News and World report.

The meeting ended at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Heckel for
Susan Kashubeck-West, Secretary
And Vice Chairperson