Graduate Council  
August 28, 2014

Present: Professors Ankenmann, Campo, Cowles, Duff, Martin-Estudillo, Moore, Moorhead, Murry, Quelle, Stanier; Graduate Students Brown, Hamerlinck, Gavin-Bigsby, Lucas, Winn; Deans Berkowitz, Keller, Wurster; Staff Arbisi-Kelm, Crooks, Masada

Absent: Professors Denry, Kristof-Brown; Dean Gardinier

1. Welcome & introductions

2. The minutes of the May 1, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. Dean Keller distributed information from the Manual of Rules and Regulations of the Graduate College on the membership and duties of the Graduate Council. He noted that the Graduate Council is the executive committee of the graduate faculty and as such represents the graduate faculty on changes to the Manual of Rules and Regulations, on the approval/denial of proposals involving the creation, closing or renaming of graduate programs, and the discussion/endorsement of actions/activities put forward by the Graduate College Dean’s Office.

4. Announcements and updates of summer activities:
   - Over the summer, Deloitte Consulting LLP was back on campus to review IT departments, functions, & processes. Their continued review of programs & departments is on hiatus pending replacement of the sub-contractor KH Consulting.
   - The Board of Regents Performance-Based Revenue Model Task Force put forth a changed funding formula for distribution of state allocations to the state’s public universities. If the Legislature approves the new model, fiscal year 2016 would see the reallocation of over twelve million dollars from University of Iowa to the other public universities. This anticipated change in funding models would bring an increased emphasis on recruitment of in-state students along with an emphasis on retention and completion.

5. Dean Keller presented “New Directions in Graduate Education”. The presentation outlined enrollment trends, financial challenges, opportunities, cautions, and ways in which the Graduate College plans to support the University’s strategic plan in light of the many changes and challenges facing graduate education.

6. Dean Keller reviewed the tentative agenda items for the 2012-13 academic year (see attached).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.