

Winthrop University
Graduate Council Agenda

Friday, October 3, 2008

208 Thurmond

2:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Kelly Richardson, chair; Marshall Jones; Cara Peters; Kristi Westover; Wanda Briggs; Gale Teaster-Woods; Antje Mayes; Lauren Frisoli, student. Yvonne Murnane, Mark Dewalt, Tim Drueke, and Margaret Williamson also were present.

- 1. Council approved the minutes of the September 12, 2008 meeting with corrections.**
- 2. Reports:**
 - a. Dr. Murnane provided an update on Graduate School activities (attached).
 - b. Cara Peters reported that the Faculty Governance Committee continues to meet.
 - c. Kelly Richardson discussed the meeting she and other academic leaders and the budget priorities committee had with the president concerning the budget situation. She indicated that it was a good, open meeting.
- 3. Old Business:**
 - a. Dr. Murnane suggested that she and Margaret Williamson work with Robbie Hampton and Tim Drueke to draft revised guidelines for writing a thesis. The council approved the suggestion. A proposal will be brought to the next council meeting.
- 4. New Business:**
 - a. The meaning and process of receiving graduate faculty status was brought up. A sub-committee of Cara Peters, Kristi Westover and Yvonne Murnane will draft a proposal for the council to consider.
- 5. Adjournment**
6. The **Petitions Committee** met to discuss a petition. The petition was approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Margaret Williamson