CALL TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members Present Representing

Eric Fong College of Business
Ivey Mackenzie College of Business

Phillip Ligrani College of Engineering
Michael Anderson College of Engineering

Boris Kunin College of Science
Rob McFeeters College of Science

Ellise Adams College of Nursing
Jason O'Brien College of Education

Non-voting Members Representing
David Berkowitz, Chair Graduate Studies
David Moore Library
Janet Waller Registrar
Tonya Welker Graduate Studies

Dr. Berkowitz opens the meeting with an update on recent recruiting efforts

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- Program Specific GPA: Dr. Berkowitz reminds everyone of the recent discussion concerning program specific GPA
  Rob McFeeters motions that we accept program specific gpa for graduation requirements
  Michael Anderson seconds the motion
  A vote is taken and it is passed unanimous

New Business
• REMOVAL OF A CAPSTONE COURSE REQUIREMENT: Michael Anderson discusses the removal of a capstone course.

○ Proposal: The College of Engineering is proposing the removal of the capstone requirement for the MS degree. The proposal would allow for a 30 credit (all coursework) option to fulfill the graduation requirements. This option is intended to serve students who are interested in a MS degree without necessarily progressing toward a PHD and students who are enrolled in a PHD program directly from a BS degree to obtain an MS degree during their studies.

○ Implementation: If a department in the college selects to establish this option, a list of courses would be developed that would account for the 10 courses to complete the MS degree. Additionally, the same requirements for the minimum number of courses in the major and minor (4 courses in the major and 2 – 2 course minors) as well as the number of allowable 500/600 courses (no more than half of the courses at the 500 level) would not be changed. This option would also not change the thesis option.

○ Benefits: The benefit will be to allow students to complete a MS degree using only classes. Benefits to UAH are that individual students can complete the MS degree without faculty mentors.

○ Satisfactory performance: The satisfactory performance would be evaluated through the completion of the 30 credit hours of coursework while satisfying the college requirement that an overall GPA of 3.0 be achieved and a GAP of 3.0 in all 600 level courses be achieved.

Michael Anderson makes a motion to accept non capstone non exam option that are program specific
Rob McFeeters seconds the motion
A vote is taken and it is passed unanimously

Janet Waller reminds the council changes to their program they will need to submit program change forms.

• UPCOMING AWARDS: Dr. Berkowitz reminded the council that the Graduate Advisor and Graduate Mentor Awards will be accepting nominations.

Meeting was adjourned