Graduate Council Meeting
April 21, 2010

Attendees: Estie Arkin (Applied Mathematics and Statistics), Ruth Ben-Zvi (Economics), Allegra de Laurentiis (Philosophy), Alicia DeRosalia (Graduate School), Dante Di Ianni (Graduate Student Advocate), Michael Kifer (Computer Science), Kent Marks (Graduate School), Lawrence Martin (Dean, Graduate School), Anne McElroy (SoMAS), Susan O’Leary (Psychology), Brian Phillips (Geoscience), Susan Scheckel (English), Marcia Simon (Dental School), Charles Taber (Political Science and Associate Dean, Graduate School), Jacobus Verbaarschot (Graduate Council Chair), Elizabeth Vink (GSO)

Absent Members: Matthew Aiello-Lammens (GSO), Elaine Hoffman (Library), Sara Lipton (History), Arleen Steckel (Nursing School)

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by the Chair, Jacobus Verbaarschot.

Approval of minutes
- Minutes were approved from the 4/7/10 meeting, with minor revisions.

Chair’s Report
- SED Approval of Proposals
  - Chair informed Council that there were 2 approvals:
    - Revision of MFA in Creative Writing and Literature
    - Advanced Certificate in Creative Writing

- C.N. Yang
  - Being honored this week at the 2010 Stars of Stony Brook Gala

Old Business
- No Old Business to report

New Business
- Proposal for Advanced Graduate Certificate in Health Communications
  - Council would like a revised proposal and have representatives come to the next meeting to answer questions.

- Dean Lawrence Martin showed a presentation on rankings

Dean’s Report
- Ran out of time before Dean’s Report could be discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.
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