PRESENT: John Bauer, Sharon Campbell, Bruce Elder, Mark Ellis, Chris Exstrom, Janet Lear, Jeanne Stolzer, Marguerite Tassi, Kathy Zuckweiler, William Orr, and Marilyn Wright

ABSENT: Greg Brown, David Hof, Chris Jochum, Miechelle McKelvey, Julie Shaffer, and Jon Ritterbush

I. Approval of the March 10, 2016 Minutes – approved via email

II. Graduate Dean’s Report – Kathy Zuckweiler led the meeting in Dr. Taylor’s absence

A. Approval of Spring 2016 Graduates.
   Updates were made to the slate of graduates which include removing Dennis Seberger and Kevin Stones from English and Elizabeth Bradley, Jay Mastrud, and Robert Weber from History.

B. Graduate Council Elections Results.
   Dr. Zuckweiler expressed appreciation to Chris Jochum and Julie Shaffer as they are leaving the council. Jeanne Stolzer and David Hof were re-elected and new members, Lisa Kastello and Chuck Rowling, were welcomed for the fall.

C. Online Worldwide Update.
   Grants through Online Worldwide have not yet been announced.

D. Catalog changes approved by Dr. Taylor.
   TE 888: Multimedia Production

III. Committee Reports

A. Policy & Planning Committee – the grade appeal process will be updated in the fall to include a timeline for submitting appeals to the Graduate Dean.

B. Academic Programs Committee moved to approve changes for the following courses:

   For Graduate Council Information

   1) Approved request from Music & Performing Arts to add a new course – MUS 846: Survey of Choral Literature.

   2) Approved request from Biology to add a new course: - BIOL 801: Principles of Immunology.

   For Graduate Council Action

   1) Request to Alter the MA in English – include a Writing Emphasis.
      Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.
2) Request to Alter the MA in English – removal of the GRE as an admission requirement. Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.

3) Request to Alter the MA in English, Creative Writing Emphasis – program alteration to make the P-course designation consistent with UNK policy. Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.

4) Request to Alter the Educational Administration Master’s Admission Requirements – remove the successful completion of a pre-professional skills test (for applicants without 3 consecutive years of teaching experience in the same school) as an admission requirement. Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.

5) Request to Alter the MSEd in Science/Math Education – BIOL 876 would become one of three options to meet the Curriculum Course requirement (along with PHYS 872P and TE 809P), remove TE 807P and 812P as possible electives, and reduce the “Required Supporting Courses” from 9 to 6 hours (due to the new capstone course SMED 888 to be required in program of study). Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.

6) Request to Alter the MAE in Special Education – add a Functional Academic Skills and Independent Living Special Emphasis (within the Special Education Advanced Practitioner program) and replace TESE 884 with TESE 888 in the Behavior Interventionist Emphasis. Comes as a seconded motion to the Graduate Council. Motion Carried.

C. Faculty & Student Affairs Committee – the committee is currently choosing Reichenbach recipients.

IV. Other Business

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Janna Shanno, Recording Secretary