Minutes of a meeting of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC)
held on Monday, February 3, 2014 in LIB 7200

Present:

Wade Parkhouse, Chair	Phil Winne
Mary-Ellen Kelm	Sean Markey
Peter Liljedahl	Craig Janes
Mary Ann Pope, Director, Records	Peter Ruben
Nicole White	Sheilagh MacDonald, Secretary
Uwe Glasser	Ehsan Jozaghi
Jane Pulkingham	Yasmine Norouzi
Mark Wexler	Alexey Baybuz, GSS
Philippe Pasquier	

1. Approval of agenda with following changes: **Approved**
   - FENV- Minor course changes to read GEOG
   - Other Business: discuss EDUC – Graduate Certificate in Curriculum and Instruction: Teaching Greek as an Additional Language.

2. Approval of the minutes of January 6, 2014 **Approved**

3. Business arising from the minutes – (Senate SGSC items)
   - Professional Masters in Big Data under SAR sent to Senate and SCUP for information simultaneously
   (S 05-69)
   - Minor FCAT and SCI curriculum changes cleared.
   - Graduate General Regulations (GGRs): a DGS staff member is drafting specific language for Senate.

4. For Discussion:

   4.1 Faculty of Applied Science
   a) <u>School of Computing Science</u>
      Proposal for a Concurrent BSc-MSc Program in Computing Science **[GS2014.04]**
   Guest: R. Zhang spoke to the proposal. CMPT has very good domestically-trained
   undergraduates and wants to improve their retention rate.

   Motion: move to approve subject to minor revisions
   U.Glaesser/C. Janes   **Unanimous**   **Approved**

   4.2 Beedie School of Business   **[GS2014.05]**
   a) <u>Graduate Diploma in Business Administration (GDBA)</u>
      Program Requirements
   i) Add a new course option: BUS 511-2 Business Ethics

ii) Resultant calendar changes
Motion: move to approve
ME Kelm/J. Pulkingham   **Unanimous**   **Approved**

<u>Library Reviews</u>: Librarian N. White indicated that there were no concerns in this instance but reminded members of SGSC that in future all new courses must be submitted to the library for review.

b) <u>Management of Technology Master of Business Administration (MOT MBA)</u>
1. Biotechnology Management stream
   Program Requirements
i) Reduce number of excluded courses from 2 to 1
   Remove BUS 756-4 Strategic Use of Information and Knowledge from the list
ii) Resultant calendar changes
Motion: move to approve
M. Wexler/S. Markey   **Unanimous**   **Approved**

5. Items for information – previously approved:
   5.1 Faculty of Environment   **[GS2014.06]**
   <u>Department of Geography</u>
   a) MSc Program
   i) Minor course change of units: GEOG 697-18 MSc Thesis
   ii) Resultant calendar changes

   b) MA Program
   i) Minor course change of units: GEOG 698-18 MA Thesis
   ii) Resultant calendar changes
   Move to approve changes that address an oversight retroactive to 2002
   S.Markey/P. Ruben.   **Unanimous**   **Approved**

6. Other Business
<u>Graduate Certificate in Curriculum and Instruction: Teaching Greek as an Additional Language</u>
Senate approved the original certificate (S.13-53)
SGSC agreed this is a new flavor of the existing certificate but indicated that the approved GCCI was limiting and should be modified to increase its flexibility.

<u>China Scholarship Council funding</u> - CMPT faces obstacles in admitting top-notch scholars because of ENGL language restrictions. SGSC was unwilling to waive the requirement.

<u>CSG-M Harmonized Tri-Council admission offers</u>- departments are to make their final decisions by February 24, 2014.

<u>SFU Interdisciplinary Seminar Series</u> – funded by SPICES, a collaboration between DGS and GSS. Graduate student, Y. Norouzi, reminded SGSC that the deadline for abstracts is February 14, 2014.

<u>SGSC and distribution of agenda items</u> from the newly designated curriculum email (gscurric@sfu.ca) – members indicated that they would like materials forwarded as a searchable PDF.

7. Next scheduled meeting **March 3, 2014** *(Material deadline is Feb 13, 2014)*