University of Wisconsin-Madison
Graduate School Academic Planning Council
1:30-2:30pm, Room 350 Bascom Hall
December 18, 2015

MINUTES

Members Present: William Karpus (chair), Mary Louise Gomez, Robert Howell, Lisa Martin, Susan Thibeault

Members Absent: Duncan Carlsmith

Staff: Marty Gustafson, Daniel Kleinman, Jennifer Martin

Dean William Karpus called the meeting to order.

Introduction:

The minutes from the October 16, 2015 GSAPC meeting were approved as written.

Information Items:

1. Dean Karpus shared updates regarding expected changes to graduate student assistantship rates in Summer 2017 and noted that he led a listening session with concerned graduate students regarding the policy changes on December 16, 2015.

2. Dean Karpus and Associate Dean Daniel Kleinman provided an update regarding divisional fellowship competitions; the Arts and Humanities and Social Studies divisions recently finished allocation decisions for the next year.

Discussion Items:


2. Associate Dean Daniel Kleinman led discussion regarding the Graduate School’s interest in reviewing doctoral breadth and minor policy. All agreed that the approach to minor policy must remain flexible to accommodate unique approaches and uses of the minor across doctoral programs, and that the issue should be placed for discussion on an upcoming Graduate Faculty Executive Committee (GFEC) agenda.