GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES June 28, 2006

Present: Muehsam, Miller, Mullings, Plishker, Plugge, Smith

I. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting, June 14, 2006

The minutes from the June 14, 2006 Council meeting were approved.

II. Posthumous Degree

The Council discussed revisions to the wording of the current policy for receiving the Posthumous Degree. It was suggested that the following opening sentence be added to the current policy: "The requirements of the specific programs will impact the eligibility and requirements to receive the posthumous degree." Currently section 4.01 of the policy stipulates requirements for undergraduate students. Section 4.02 should describe requirements for master's students. Section 4.03 should be added to the policy to provide requirements for doctoral students to receive the posthumous degree.

III. Graduate Admissions Issues

Dr. Muehsam reported that Graduate Studies is aggressively pushing toward a paperless system. Currently Computer Services and Graduate Studies are working together to design and implement an on-line application for graduate students. Dr. Muehsam envisions that the new on-line application will provide students with a list of required departmental application documents, tests, etc., when specific degree/major combinations are selected.

IV. Media Blitz

There was continued discussion from previous meetings regarding this item. The Council will submit lists of academic programs within each college/department that should be included on posters and other materials.

V. CJ Summit

The College of Criminal Justice held a Criminal Justice summit that included representatives from CJ programs across the country. Dr. Mullings reported that the summit was very successful and gave the participants an opportunity to discuss a wide variety of topics.

VI. On-line Application

Discussed in item III.

VII. Miscellaneous

- Dr. Muehsam updated the Graduate Council on the progress and activities of the Doctoral Advisory Committee.
- Dr. Muehsam reminded the Council that the thesis/dissertation manual should be reviewed for accuracy in the near future.
- Council members are to bring lists of possible recruiting efforts for their graduate programs to the next Graduate Council meeting.