Florida Atlantic University University Graduate Council Minutes January 13, 2010

Present: William McDaniel (Chair), Business; Deborah Floyd, Education; Elwood Hamlin II, CAUPA; Ronald Nyhan, CAUPA; Charles Roberts, Science; Stuart Glazer, Arts & Letters; Larry Liebovitch, Science; Ashley Pinette, GSA; Science; Terry Skantz, Business; Shirley Gordon, Nursing; Valerie Bryan, Education, George Morales, GSA, Xupei Huang, Biomedical Science

Absent: Ben Lowe, Arts & Letters; Massimo Caputi, Biomedical Science; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Susan Folden, Nursing. Khaled Sobhan, Engineering.

Others Present: Barry Rosson, Graduate College; Nancy Diamond, Graduate College; Ed Pratt, Undergraduate Studies.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by McDaniel.

I. Approve Minutes from November/December 2009 Meeting.

The minutes from the November and December 2009 meetings were approved unanimously by the council.

II. Honor Code Revision Draft.

Pratt presented the Honor Code Revision for Academic Integrity. It was endorsed by the UPCC. It was revised to make it more visible and to clarify the language and process. It is designed to have tougher consequences. There will be auto expulsion after the second offense. If student seeks peer counseling after first offense record will be expunged. Rosson discussed concerns about graduate plagiarism and one strike for a graduate student.

A motion was made to accept these revisions. Liebovitch seconded. It was unanimously approved. Will go forward to UFS and BOT.

III. Maintenance of Dissertation and Thesis Guidelines.

The council agreed that Rosson would tweak the guidelines and send it to the council for review. The council would resubmit any changes within one week. Any colleges requiring paper copies of theses and dissertations would have to notify the Graduate College by March 1, 2010.

Floyd moved to approve this timeline. Bryan seconded with the council concurring unanimously.

IV. Other Business.

The Graduate Faculty Criteria form by the College of Education was to be approved by the UGC by the end of semester. The council discussed the Graduate Faculty Status in Banner. It will be posted on the Graduate College website.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.