#### **GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**

September 18, 2012

Dr. Richardson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. In attendance were Tim Biggart, Jill Cochran, Paula Englis, Duane Inman, Andrew Bressette, Bryce Durbin, Sherre Harrington, Brett Kennedy, Karen Kurz, Jacqueline McDowell, Nancy Mercer, Monica Willingham, Jessica Flood (graduate student), and Rebecca Henry (graduate student).

The minutes from the March 20, 2012, meeting were approved with corrections.

### **New Business**

## New faculty in the Charter School:

Dean McDowell recommended the Council accept the selection of new EDU faculty member Dr. Eliana Keiko Hirano as a graduate faculty member. Dr. Hirano received her Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics from Georgia State University and will be teaching select undergraduate courses along with the graduate Education course EDU 667 Multicultural Education. The Council approved the addition unanimously.

## Modification of Teacher Education Program Principles:

Dr. Kurz submitted for first reading a modification of the Teacher Education Program Principles. Specifically, the recommendation is that the Principles be modified to reflect changes in the *InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards*.

## Catalog language adjustment relating to Education Specialist Requirements:

Dr. Kurz recommended that the Catalog be amended to specify the requrements in more detail for students wishing to have a dual Specialist degree. Dr. Bressette requested that an official recommendation to adjust the language to establish which courses can be duplicated for the degree and which cannot be submitted to the committee.

# Graduate Education course changes:

Two curriculum amendment forms were submitted to change/alter the course descriptions for EDU 621 and EDU 645. Minor corrections to the forms were recommended. The changes will be voted on in the next scheduled meeting.

#### Course Fee allocation:

Dean McDowell asked where the funds relating to special course fees were allocated. She requested that the funds go to the department fund responsible for the course(s) in question. Dr. Richardson indicated that she would research the question and report back at the next scheduled meeting.

Next meeting—October 23, 2012

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Chair: Kathy Brittain Richardson Secretary: Bryce E. Durbin