I. Dr. Oliver called the meeting to order in the absence of having a chair.

II. Graduate Council chair election (fulfilling Dr. Boham’s unexpired term): Dr. Boham, who had initially resigned as chaired, indicated she was willing to fulfill her term. Dr. Hu moved to re-elect Dr. Boham and Dr. McGarity seconded. Dr. Boham was elected unanimously to continue her term until completion.

III. Approval of September 9, 2021, minutes: Dr. Valadez moved to approve the minutes with one correction; Dr. Larkin seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Reports and Updates

A. Graduate Council chair update: No update.

B. CGS Update: Dr. Oliver requested additional comments on the document for the chairs; Dr. Hu noted an edit that needed to be made. Dr. Oliver also asked if council members wanted to see the document for GFRs; she indicated she would email them to members. She also discussed the tracking process for stacked courses and informed the council about CIRTL as a professional development opportunity for graduate students as well as for training graduate assistants.

C. Committee Reports
   i. Curriculum: Dr. Hu reported on the work of the curriculum committee regarding on-going UCC work. He reported that Dr. Valadez will be reporting to the UCC in Dr. Hu’s place at the next meeting. Dr. Hu moved that the council approve the report of the committee. The motion passed.
   ii. Rules and Procedures: Dr. Rauhaus reported on the Graduate Faculty nominations. She indicated that 11 individuals (named in the meeting) were recommended for approval. Dr. Rauhaus moved to accept the report. The motion passed.

D. Liaison Reports
   i. ITDEC: Dr. Adrienne Platt reported on name change and noted that the committee has not met.
   ii. Faculty Senate: Dr. Isla Schuchs Carr indicated she had no report.
iii. Library: Dr. Catherine Rudowsky was unable to attend and had no report.
iv. International Education Committee: Dr. Jack Clampit indicated the committee has not met.

V. Unfinished Business: None

VI. New Business: Dr. Valadez indicated that her doctoral students watch the dissertation-related videos and that they like them. However, students are having a hard time being able to hear. Dr. Oliver brought up Dr. Hu’s previous comments regarding potential need to revise the bylaws. Dr. Hu noted other changes that need to be made. Dr. Boham charged the Rules and Procedures Committee with examining the bylaws. Dr. McGarity reported that one of the Graduate Council members from the CONHS had left the university and clarified that CONHS needs to elect an individual to replace him. Concerns were also raised about the slowness of moving submissions through IRB. The council members requested that Dr. Schuchs Carr take concerns about IRB slowdowns back to the Senate.

VII. Matters Arising: None

VIII. Adjournment: Dr. Hu moved to adjourn.

FUTURE MEETING DATES
11/18/21