College of Education  
Graduate Studies Leadership Team  
Minutes of September 24, 2009

Present: A. Rud, A. Samarapungavan, K. Davis, J. Krockover, R. Frisbie, J. Lehman, K. Dietz. Dr. Rud convened the meeting for Dr. Moon who was ill.

Discussion Items:

1. **699 Credits for Ph.D. Students** (to be discussed at the 11/12 GSLT mtg.)

2. **Graduate Fellowship Students:** (a) summer work (b) intellectual community  
(to be discussed at the 11/12 GSLT mtg.)

3. **IRT Funding**

   In order to attract diverse students from the Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers (IRT) program and be more competitive with other universities, it is believed that funding is needed. The department heads suggested that setting aside a Purdue Doctoral Fellowship would be one way to address this for the doctoral candidates.

4. **Website development** (Kim Davis)

   Kim asked for feedback regarding website development. Areas discussed included student profiles, staff profiles, and research initiatives.

5. **Tracking our graduates**

   A question came up earlier in regard to keeping track of our graduates, including employment which could be helpful as general information on program/concentration websites to point out positions held and the location of alumni. It is believed some information might be available through the Purdue Alumni Association. Kim indicated that creating groups in LinkedIn has been done by some universities. Jim said Educational Technology has been working to get up-to-date information on graduates for some time. That program sends out an electronic newsletter once a year, but often the program is not notified if a person changes e-mail addresses.

   Kathy will check with graduate offices at other universities to see how they track alumni in order to have current information, especially regarding e-mails and employment.

Updates:

1. **Ph.D. Follow Up Survey** (Richard Frisbie)

   Richard gave an overview of the follow up survey saying that it is based on the National Research Council survey with changes and additions made as mentioned in an earlier
Graduate Studies Leadership Team meeting brainstorming session. Discussion followed regarding changes. It was felt the survey was too long, so some sections were deleted or the wording changed. Richard said he would revise the survey to reflect those changes. There also was discussion as to what was the purpose of the survey and would very many alumni complete it.

It was mentioned that students complete an exit survey distributed from the Graduate School. During the last few years, information from this survey has not been passed on to the individual colleges. Kathy will check with the Graduate School to ask again if data from this survey can be distributed.

2. **ETS Personal Potential Index** ([ETS PPI website](http://www.ets.ppi.org)) Update—a new web-based evaluation system of applicants for graduate study (Kathy Dietz)

The ETS Personal Potential Index is a web-based system which evaluates personal attributes from evaluators selected by an individual when he/she registers for the GRE. From a previous Graduate Studies Leadership Team meeting discussion, members believe this would be a good report to add when reviewing an applicant’s admission file.

In an earlier conversation with Dr. Atkinson at the Graduate School, it was recommended that we not use this system until the reports can be sent electronically by ETS to the Graduate School. The electronic version was to be ready in July 2009, but has not been implemented yet. Information about this evaluation system will be provided to faculty at future departmental meetings.