Minutes of CGSR Meeting #23 on 03/28/2017

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its 3rd meeting in D-term 2017 on March 28th (Thursday) in Kavin Hall, 204.

Present: K. Troy, S. Scarlata, A. Deskins, T. Camesano (Dean of Graduate Studies), M. Demetriou, R. Rao, B. Vernescu (Vice Provost for Research), A. Zeng, Amir Abedini

Guests: S. Miles (Registrar), M. McGrade (Graduate Admissions), E. Piccioli, G. Iannocchione (Physics)

Professor K. Troy called the meeting to order at 3:07PM

Minutes from the last meeting were approve with minor corrections.

1 Motion of the School of Business to Approve a New Graduate Degree Program leading to graduate MSc and BS/MSc degrees for Supply Chain Management. Discussion centered on the new course designation. A vote was made to approve with the exception of item #1 pertaining to the course designation which will be done later and approved electronically.

2 Three interrelated motions from ChemE were proposed. Two are for new courses (Advanced Process Engineering CHE565 and Graduate Qualifying Program in Engineering CH590) which will lead to a new MSc degree program, the subject of the third motion, in which students will carry out a project with an industrial partner. This program will be in addition to the two other thesis options but will be emphasized. The courses will be implemented courses will start 2017-8 and the GQP will start 2018. BS/MS students will be eligible for this program. All 3 motions were approved.

3 The committee considered two petitions from students that are requesting to walk in graduation in May 2017 but would not finish their last class until June. Both petitions were approved. The committee felt that a policy should be adopted to allow students to participate in their graduation ceremony even though they have not yet completed their last class. A similar policy is already in place for undergraduates. S. Miles will draft an official policy.

4 G. Iannocchione presented petitions from 4 students – two at the MSc level and two at the PhD level to obtain interdisciplinary degrees in MSc in Nuclear Science and Engineering (NSE) or Medical Health Physics. There committee asked if a more formalized program would be considered as more students become interested in these two
programs, and these will be proposed at a later date. The committee approve the petitions from the MSc students and will consider the PhD student’s petitions at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Scarlata, CGSR secretary (D17)