GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)
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I. **Chair's Report – Ramesh Balasubramaniam**
    a. Division Council meeting – February 16, 2017

II. **Vice Chair's Report – Teamrat Ghezzehei**
    a. Vice Chair Ghezzehei is away for this meeting.

III. **Consent Calendar**
    a. Approval of the February 9, 2017 minutes   **pg. 3**
    b. Approval of the February 23, 2017 agenda
    c. Grad Group Policies & Procedures

IV. **Graduate Fellowship Awards (Nancy Burke and Eric Cannon)**
    a. **Background:** GC is responsible for reviewing applications for ten fellowships, with three reviewers assigned to assess each application. 86 applications were received for the three Recruitment Fellowships, with assignments distributed to avoid conflicts of interest.
    b. **Action:** GC to discuss rankings and recommendations, and the approved rankings will be forwarded to Grad Division by Friday, February 24.

V. **Graduate Education Sections of the Catalog**
    a. **Background:** Graduate Division has provided graduate education sections of the catalog for GC to review and approve. The GC Analyst has compared these sections with those from last year, and provided results of each comparison.
    b. **Action:** GC members to review and approve the compiled catalog sections, with response sent back to the Registrar by March 1, 2017.

VI. **Committee Review Items**
    i. **Proposed Revisions to Senate Regulation 630.D**
        i. **Background:** Senate Chair Amussen has requested review and comment on proposed revisions to Senate Regulation 630.D. UGC and CRE are lead committees for this review.
        ii. **Action:** GC sends comments to Senate Chair by 5:00 PM on Friday, February 24, 2017.

    ii. **Draft Presidential Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Policy**
        i. **Background:** The Policy is to establish minimum standards for the safe use and operation of UAS and Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (SUAS), including drones and model aircraft, on any University Location or at any Authorized University Activity. COR and GC are lead committees for this review.
        ii. **Action:** GC sends comments to Senate Chair by 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 20, 2017.

      iii.   **New WSCUC Policy**

           i.   **Background:** Senate Chair Amussen has requested comments on a proposed new WSCUC policy on non-degree granting programs. This new policy would require revisions to existing Senate policies, with likely impacts at the graduate level. UGC has also been asked to review this proposed policy.

           ii.   **Action:** GC to review and send comments to the Senate Chair.

VII.   **Consultation with VPDGE Zatz**
   - **a.** Updates on admissions and graduate visitation weekend
   - **b.** Update on timing of move to a new admissions system
   - **c.** Update on incentive plan for self-funded master's programs

VIII.   **Upcoming Business**

IX.   **Other Business**

X.   **Executive Session (Voting members only)**