

5. New Business

Sherman Dorn argues for changes to the I grade policy that would place more of the paperwork burden on the student instead of the instructor. Also, language was recommended that allowed for exceptions when students encounter exceptional circumstances. There was some discussion of the technological implementation of the new system, as well as how the paperwork and contracts should be handled. Voting on the policy was tabled, and it was decided that a representative of the Graduate Council, which initiated the policy changes, can speak to the council on the rationale for the changes. The changes to the Testing and Final Examination policy serve to extend by one additional day the final exam period to accommodate the increasing need for space. The additional day is also the day of the graduation ceremony, so the council considered possible alternative solutions that would avoid this conflict. Michael LeVan will distribute an email looking for possible solutions to this problem.

The next meeting will be Monday, January 26th, 2009. The meeting was adjourned at 4:56pm.