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Minutes

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1. Agriculture
  - A. Changes to the MSA degree in Agricultural Education from a 30 to 33 hours. It now offers a thesis option.
  - B. A new Masters of Science in Career & Technical Education degree was recommended for approval. College of Agriculture must provide the Graduate Council with catalog changes to include new program.
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**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT SMALL GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT THE COSTS OF GRADUATE RESEARCH AND ATTENDANCE TO SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, most research-oriented universities provide small grant support to graduate students to assist with their research expenses and attendance to professional scientific meetings, and

WHEREAS, based on the urging of a number of governance bodies (e.g., Faculty Senate, Student Government Association, Graduate Council), ASU established a small grants program for graduate students during the 2003-2004 academic year, and

WHEREAS, graduate students pay tuition for graduate thesis/dissertation and independent research credit hours, and

WHEREAS, those funds are currently not available to help support thesis/dissertation research costs or meeting expenses, and

WHEREAS, at many institutions, a portion of the student government funds are allocated to help support student research and thesis/dissertations projects and associated costs (e.g., travel costs to present results at scientific meetings);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Graduate Council strongly urges the ASU administration, in cooperation with the Student Government, to develop and to implement a permanent small grant program to support student research, creative activities, or expenses related to the completion of graduate theses/dissertations and presentation of research results at scientific meetings.