Present: Professors Ankenmann, Banas, Blumberg, Creekmur, Fethke, Figdor, Ganim, Kristof-Brown, Rakel, Varga, Wurster, Xiao; Graduate Students: Bernabo, Black, Morabe; Grad College Personnel: Arbisi-Kelm, Danger, Kaufman, Larsen

Absent: Professor/s, Quelle; Grad College Personnel: Campo, Keller, Teitle

The meeting was called to order by Associate Dean Sarah Larsen @ 8:15 AM.

1. Minutes from the February 2, 2017, meeting were approved.

2. Announcements and updates:
   - Mentor Award nomination letters are due Friday, February 17, 2017.
   - Open Doors career event is scheduled for April 22, 2017.
   - Bill to change Chapter 20, impacting COGs collective bargaining, is being discussed by the Iowa Legislature.

3. Associate Dean Sarah Larsen and Assistant Dean Heidi Arbisi-Kelm led a discussion on two proposed changes to the Graduate College Manual of Rules and Regulations.
   - After discussion, which included minor, non-substantive edits, a motion was made and unanimously approved to forward a proposal to change the master’s degree final exam expiration deadline from “one calendar year” to three academic terms, i.e., “semesters” or “sessions.” Authoritative language for “academic terms” to be confirmed by UI Registrar’s Office prior to Graduate Faculty vote.
   - After discussion, a motion was made and unanimously approved to forward a proposal to Graduate Faculty vote related to an advancement measurement test exception for University of Iowa U2G applicants.

4. Associate Dean Sarah Larsen and Assistant Dean Heidi Arbisi-Kelm led a discussion on individual and institutional implications related to embargoed dissertation theses.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:07 a.m.