The UNL Graduate Council convened at 3:30 p.m. in Room 206 of Seaton Hall. Present were: Professors Charles Ansorge, Andrea Bolland, Elizabeth Jones, Susan Lawrence, William Wagner, student representative Laura Lynch; Ex-officio members: Acting Dean Kim Espy and Assistant Dean Laurie Bellows; and fellowship specialist Jane Schneider, graduate admissions director Jan Hostetler, and masters degree specialist Terri Eastin. Acting Dean of Graduate Studies Kim Espy presided.

November 12, 2009 Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Status of Recent Proposals
The following items have been forwarded to appropriate office for approval:
- K-3 Mathematics Specialist Certificate (Approved by GC email ballot January 2010)
- Insect Biology Graduate Certificate (Approved by GC email ballot January 2010)
- Earth Science for Educators Graduate Certificate (Approval by GC May 2009)
- Geosciences Degree Name Change (Approved by GC email ballot January 2010)

Graduate Studies Updates
Masters degree specialist Terri Eastin reported that master’s theses can now be electronically deposited to the library through Digital Commons. The opportunity to electronically deposit is optional for May 2010 graduates but will be required for the August 2010 graduates. Five students have chosen to deposit their theses electronically to date. Jan Hostetler, admissions director provided an update on MyRed, PeopleSoft and current applications for admissions.

GRDC 098. Responsible Research Training
Kim Espy updated Council Members on the NSF-required Responsible Conduct of Research training module for all graduate assistants involved in research. The non-credit training module will be available through Blackboard and will be ready for fall registration.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.