Directors of Graduate Studies Meeting

November 13, 2012

245 Patterson Office Tower

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

1. Apply Yourself

Dean Lorch requested you give her some feedback on the new online application. She will collect the comments and put them forward to the Graduate School. There will be campus wide training sessions on November 16 and 19. We will request that Brian Jackson come to our next meeting to give a short demonstration and allow time for Q&A.

1. President’s Message

The President addressed the University on November 5th. He indicated that the budgets cuts will not be as dramatic as originally thought. However, that does not mean we are in the clear. We still do not have final numbers for the budget, fellowships and other forms of graduate funding.

1. Graduate Student Letters

Although we are not anticipating dramatic shifts in funding for graduate students, we would like to see templates and an estimated number of offers you are planning to make for TA, GA and RAs.

1. Kentucky Opportunity Fellowship

We are encouraging you to apply for this fellowship. Please let us know if you have questions or if we can help. We believe there will be approximately 20 and they will go to the highest quality applicants.

1. Other

Enrolling during priority registration is a must for graduate students. We will continue to send the reminders.

The next meeting is December 4, 2012 at 3:30 in 245 POT. Brian Jackson will be joining us to give a demonstration and answer questions regarding Apply Yourself Online Application.