

**UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK**  
**Graduate Council Minutes**  
**September 26, 2007**

Members Present: D. McAlpine, K. Kuralt, E. Elder, J. Swingen, S. Jennings, G. Anderson, A. Bhattacharyya,  
B. Wood, M. James, A. Thombre, S. Moak, S. Robison

Members Absent: A. Hunter, R. Syler, A. Lindsay, L. Dickerson, B. Gentry, S. Grace

Others Present: R. Sikes, N. Rego

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**Approval of September 12, 2007 minutes** *Approved*

**Old Business:** *none*

**New Business:**

**Report of Curriculum Sub-Committee** *none*

**Report of Personnel Sub-Committee**

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Smith, Bruce PhD Associate Dean, College of Education (COE)

Affiliate

Joshi, Hemant PhD Software Developer, Acxiom Research, Computer Science (EIT)

Narasimhan, V. Lakshmi PhD Professor of Computer Science, Computer Science (EIT)

Scott, Stephen, PhD Senior Research Scientist, Computer Science (EIT)

Affiliate candidates for Grad Faculty status must have the justification section of the form filled.

**Report of Program Review Sub-Committee** *none*

**Other Business:** Thesis and dissertation guidelines – Endorsed by the Graduate Council Committee

**Dean's Report:** The issue of timelines for the completion of a degree needs to be considered by the graduate committee. They are currently set at 5 years for a master's degree and 7 years for a PhD. Should the deadlines be increase? Or are they sufficient?