

Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

Council Members Present: Mary Bantell, JoAnn Canales, Chuck Etheridge, Jim Gibeaut, Eve Layman, Jim Lee, Patricia Olenick, Anita Reed, Scott Sherman, Robert Smith, Corinne Valadez, Virginia Wheelless

Council Members Absent: Luis Cifuentes, Marvarene Oliver, Hongyu Guo, Sam Hill, Thomas Naehr

Council Ex-Officio Members Present: Sherrye Garrett, Sarah Sutton,

I. Approval of Minutes from 10/28/10

Motion: To approve the minutes

Moved: Anita Reed

Second: Robert Smith

Discussion: Corinne Valadez omitted from listing of members present

Unanimous approval as amended with Hongyu Guo abstaining

II. SubCommittee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty - Dr. Sherman reported that the subcommittee was recommending:

COB -- 9 T/TT faculty for a 3 year reappointment/1 for a 1 year reappointment;

CONHS - 2 new faculty and 6 Adjunct Grad Faculty appointments (all 3 year) & S&T -- 2 3-year Special Appointment including

<u>COB</u>	<u>CONHS</u>	<u>S&T</u>
Bland, Eugene	Miller, David (3)	Garza, Corey (3)
Changchit, Chuleeporn	Owens, Sherdeana (3)	Khan, Izrah (3)
Cutshall, Robert	Barker, Connie	
Deis, Donald	Elliot, Leanne	
Loveland, Karen	Hara, Martha	
Sherman, Scott	Henson, Robin	
Spencer, Marilyn	Lara, Irma	
Vokurka, Robert	Rossell, Debra	
[all 3 years]		
Zeidan, Rabih		
[1 yr]		

Graduate Council members unanimously approved the recommendation as proposed.

Dr. Sherman also provided a brief history of the evolution of the Graduate Faculty Status Designation Policy. Given the two years of working on operationalizing the policy, the Graduate Faculty Subcommittee proposed revisiting the language in the policy to ensure alignment between policy and practice.

Motion: Dr. Etheridge moved that the subcommittee revisit the policy to align with practice.

Second: Dr. Olenick

Friendly amendment: Dr. Smith added that the subcommittee be expanded to include representatives from the COE and CLA. Dr. Etheridge (CLA) and Dr. Valadez (COE) subsequently volunteered.

Motion carried unanimously.

III. Pending Issues

A. ESLI

Dr. Canales reported that concerns were shared with Dr. Cifuentes, and subsequently, Dr. Killebrew. Dr. Cifuentes and Dr. Canales will be

speaking with Gary about the concerns. Dr. Canales that council members please email specific concerns by wed, November 17, 2010.

B. Post Bac wording

Dr. Canales distributed a handout comparing the wording in the catalog re: Post Bac, Graduate Admissions Classifications, and the THECB.

No apparent discrepancies appear. Programs can choose to not allow post bac students in the programs much like non-degreed students.

Currently, records show there are 17 instances (COB - 1; COE - 3; CLA - 2; S&T - 11) where 10 students enrolled in UG courses as post bacs.

C. LaserFiche Access

Dr. Canales shared that effective Monday RGS will be electronically delivering documents. A list of the individuals in each college and the LaserFiche access possible was disseminated. Council members were asked to share the information with college faculty. Council members had questions re: process, confidential information, etc. Dr. Canales will respond via email.

IV. Matters Arising

Dr. Smith commented that, according to Robert's Rules of Order, it is not necessary to follow the voting process with minutes and reports. Dr. Layman, as Chair, asked the preference of the council members. There was general agreement that she could proceed at her discretion.

Dr. Wheelless inquired about the schedule for approving the Graduate Catalog disseminated to Graduate Council members by Dr. Canales following the October 21, 2010 meeting. Dr. Canales responded that the dates were flexible, especially given the late start date and would probably not be met. For example, the front matter that was supposed to have been received in the Grad Office on November 11 had not yet been received.

V. Adjournment

Dr. Sherman moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m.