

# **Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

January 25, 2008

## **I. Call to order**

Dr. Jeff Brown called to order the meeting of the **Graduate Council** at **10:05** on January **25, 2008** in **KL330**.

### **Roll call**

Dr. Jeff Brown conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Mohamed Ben-Ruwin, Louise Autio, Cecilia Garza, Laura Hovel, Irma Lara, Trace Pirtle, Faridoun Farrokh, Tagi Sagafi-nejad, Randel Brown, Tom Mitchell & Rogelio Hinojosa.

In *absentia* were Jerry Thompson, Fred Ivy, and Oscar Reyna.

## **II. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

**MOTION:** Dr. Randel Brown moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 9 and the motion was seconded by Dr. Ben Ruwin & passed unanimously.

## **III. Old Business**

### *A. Comprehensive Exam Proposal (Tom Mitchell)*

**MOTION:** Dr. Randel Brown moved to approve the comprehensive proposal within a time constraint of 1 month. The motion was seconded by Dr. Farrokh & passed unanimously.

**Amendment:** Dr. Sagafi made a friendly amendment that the Graduate Council intends to approve comprehensive policy and allow all stakeholders to counter or modify if a better idea is developed.

## **IV. New Business**

### *A. Graduate Faculty*

#### *i. Associate/Masters*

- **Stephen Duffy (COAS)**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to approve him at the associate level. The motion was passed unanimously.

- **Lynn Stamoulis (COED)**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to decline her at the associate level. The motion was passed.

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to remove names from future minutes & retroactively for faculty motions. The motion with amendments was passed unanimously.

**Amendment:** Dr. Sagafi made a friendly amendment to allow temporary status for no more than 3 years if faculty demonstrates evidence of satisfactory progress towards scholarly activity and works.

**Amendment:** Dr. Brown made a friendly amendment to have the above amendment apply only to tenure-track faculty or full-time employees.

ii. Full/Doctoral

- **Michael Grayson (COBA)**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to approve him at the full/doctoral level. The motion was passed unanimously.

- **Jaime Ortiz (COBA)**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to approve him at the full/doctoral level. The motion was passed unanimously.

- **Dr. Phu Hoang**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to decline him at the full/doctoral level. The motion was passed.

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to accept him at the associate level. The motion was passed.

*B. Graduate Academic Affairs Subcommittee (Faridoun Farrokh)*

Dr. Farrokh explained to the committee that he has a draft regarding program review from the academic affairs subcommittee to be forwarded to the council members for their consideration.

*C. Graduate Assistantship Oversight Subcommittee*

*D. Formula for Admissions*

Dr. Jeff Brown expanded on last meetings discussion for implementation of an admissions formula and said he would like to re-surface this solely for admission purposes. He reiterated that those students above 1500 would be fully admitted, those between 1200-1500 would be probationary admitted, and those below 1200 would follow the current procedure.

*E. 4000-level courses for graduate credit*

Dr. Jeff Brown expanded on the topic by explaining how this affects graduate subvention; (i.e. undergraduate dollars -vs- graduate dollars).

## **Adjournment**

Dr. Sagafi moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:28.  
Minutes submitted by: Dr. Jeff Brown & Suzanne Alford  
Minutes are pending approval by Graduate Council.