



## GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

### Minutes

Date      3/16/17      Start Time      3:30p      Adjournment Time      5:17p      Location      Walker 2-94

Type of Meeting    X Regular             Special

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| <b>CHAIR</b>     | Jana Giles   |
| <b>SECRETARY</b> | Patti Calk   |
| <b>ATTENDEES</b> | Chris Gissendanner, Rhonda Hensley, Leigh Hersey, Amal Kaddoumi, Kioh Kim, Donna Luse, Shalanda Stanley, Paul Sylvester, and Jack Palmer<br>Sushma Krishnamurthy (Graduate School) |
| <b>ABSENT</b>    | Eugenie Ardoin   |

### Agenda

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| <b>I. PRELIMINARY, OLD BUSINESS, AND INITIAL BUSINESS</b>   |
| <p><b>A. Initial Business:</b><br/> Approval of February 2017 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to APPROVE by Chris Gissendanner; second by Paul Sylvester</li> <li>• Approved by Council</li> </ul> |
| <b>II. STUDENT APPEALS</b>  |
| <p>Student appeals were reviewed and voting conducted. The Graduate School maintains the results of the appeals in the Graduate School office and provides the results to the program chairs and the students.</p>              |
| <b>III. GRADUATE FACULTY RECOMMENDATIONS</b>  |
| <p><b>A. Paula Griswold—Full, Health Studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to APPROVE by Donna Luse; second by Kioh Kim</li> <li>• Motion passed by Council</li> </ul>                                |
| <b>IV. NEW BUSINESS</b>   |
| <p><b>A. Graduate Faculty Policy</b></p>  |

- 1) Proposal from Dr. Krishnamurthy, with input from the Graduate Council Subcommittee on Graduate Faculty Appointments, to establish more clear policy on graduate faculty appointments and renewals.
- 2) Emeritus Faculty Graduate Status will be considered here.
- 3) SACS Guidelines for Faculty Credentials is supporting documentation here.

**Tabled** - Plan to discuss at April meeting and have a special meeting on Wednesday, May 10 at 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

a) Council members are asked to solicit feedback on this document from their programs and other constituents prior to the forthcoming meetings.

b) Within the next few days, the chair will email access to a cloud-based Word document so that Council members can add their own line edits and suggestions for amending the document, with a deadline prior to the April meeting.

c) Dr. Krishnamurthy emphasized that she would like this document finalized before the end of the semester in anticipation of a forthcoming push to hire in the fall in some programs. Having these guidelines in place will be essential to smooth the process in the future and to reduce current confusion about expectations as well as paper flow.

Approved by committee/council chair  Yes on 4/27/17