

GRADUATE COUNCIL

Minutes

September 29, 2005

Alderman 215, 3:30 p.m.

Council members attending: Drs. Buttino, Grindlay, Janicki, Meinhold, Pabst, Taylor, and Waxman. Ex-officio non-voting: Dr. McNamee attended for Dean Cordle and Mr. Hayes. Also in attendance: Dr. Sandell. Dean Roer presided.

I. **Approval of minutes:** The minutes from April 28, 2005 were approved as submitted; the minutes from the special called meeting on September 15, 2005 were approved with one correction.

II. Announcements

- **Introduction of New Members:** Dean Roer welcomed the new members and returning members of the Graduate Council. Newly elected council members are Clyde Edgerton (Creative Writing), Thomas Janicki (Information Systems and Operations Management), Robert Smith (Specialty Studies), Lou Buttino (Film Studies). Council members elected to serve a second term are Steve Meinhold (Political Science) and Ann Pabst (Biology and Marine Biology). Those serving a one-year term to replace council members who have either left the university or moved into administrative positions are Richard Huber (Curricular Studies) replacing Edna Collins; Sally MacKain (Psychology) replacing Carol Pilgrim, and Julie Taylor (Nursing) replacing Susan Scheuring. Dean Roer also welcomed Karen Sandell, associate dean of the graduate school.
- **Committee Assignments:** The committee assignments for the 2005-2006 academic year were distributed.

Student Affairs

Clyde Edgerton, Creative Writing (2008)
Nancy Grindlay, Earth Sciences (2007)
Thomas Janicki, Information Syst & Oper Mgt (2008)
Sally MacKain, Psychology (2006)

Policy & Planning

Richard Huber, Curricular Studies (2006)
Sally MacKain, Psychology (2006)
Steve Meinhold, Political Science (2008)
Pam Seaton, Chemistry & Biochemistry (2007)

Graduate Faculty

Lou Buttino, Film Studies (2008)
Richard Huber, Curricular Studies (2006)
Pam Seaton, Chemistry & Biochemistry (2007)
Julie Taylor, Nursing, (2006)

Program & Curriculum

Edward Graham, Econ & Finance (2007)
Ann Pabst, Biology & Marine Biology (2008)
Robert Smith, Specialty Studies (2008)
Barbara Waxman, English (2006)

- **Graduate Faculty Update:** The following graduate faculty appointments have been approved since the last Graduate Council meeting.
Frank Chapman, Marine Science, one-semester
Ileana E. Clavijo, Biology and Marine Biology, one-year
Paulo F. Almeida, Chemistry and Biochemistry, five-year
Christopher J. Halkides, Chemistry and Biochemistry, five-year
Robert Hancock, Chemistry and Biochemistry, five-year
Sridhar Varadarajan, Chemistry and Biochemistry, three-year
Charles R. Ward, Chemistry and Biochemistry, five-year
Robert F. Whitehead, Chemistry and Biochemistry, five-year
Thomas C. Hudson, Computer Science, three-year
Craig Tobias, Earth Sciences, three-year
Danika vanProosdij, Earth Sciences, three-year
Paula K. Kamenish, English, one-year
James Alan Rotenberg, Environmental Studies, one-year
Joann Mount, Foreign Languages and Literatures, one-year
Elizabeth Bishop, History, one-year
Tammara Stone-Gordon, History, three-year
Curt Miles Allen-Little, Liberal Studies, three-year
Larry Ferrell, Liberal Studies, one-semester
John L. Godwin, Liberal Studies, one-year

Rod Hagley, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Susan Hance, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Diana Pasulka, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Anne Russell, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Harry Shuster, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Judy Pofahl Skinner, Liberal Studies, one-year
 Steve Vernon, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Jenny Yates, Liberal Studies, one-semester
 Susan Simmons, Mathematics and Statistics, five-year
 Gregg A. Snedden, Physics and Physical Oceanography, one-semester
 Deborah E. Bowen, Social Work, special three-year
 Donna E. Hurdle, Social Work, five-year
 Kimberly J. Cook, Sociology and Criminal Justice, Administrative
 Melissa Beacham, School of Nursing, special three-year
 Jane A. Fox, School of Nursing, three-year
 Carol Heinrich, School of Nursing, three-year
 Carla Savinon, School of Nursing, special three-year
 Elizabeth B. Ambe, Curricular Studies, three-year
 Kenneth A. Anderson, Curricular Studies, three-year
 Howard Victor Coleman, Curricular Studies, three-year
 Hengameh Kermani, Curricular Studies, five-year
 Kathleen A. Schlichting, Curricular Studies, three-year
 Marcee M. Steele, Curricular Studies, five-year
 Brenda M. Wheat, Curricular Studies, three-year
 Jeremy Glenn Dickerson, Specialty Studies, one-year

- **New TA funds and enrollment management review:** Enrollment increase funds and MALSA (Minimally Acceptable Level of State Appropriations) funds will be used to increase the stipend levels and number of graduate teaching assistants for the 2006-2007 academic year. In the interim, those funds designated for faculty positions will be flexed so the allocations can be utilized for the 2005-2006 academic year. Dean Roer will be meeting with each graduate coordinator to review their needs and assessment in preparation for the 2006-2007 academic year.
- **Grade appeal:** The Graduate School oversaw one grade appeal, which has been resolved. The recommended action has been taken.
- **Graduate Student Association:** No report.

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

- **Program and Curriculum Committee Report**
 - **Proposal to Plan a Master of Arts in applied gerontology:** The Program and Curriculum Committee presented the proposal to plan a Master of Arts in applied gerontology. The committee made suggestions to strengthen the proposal. Following questions and discussion the Graduate Council recommended the suggestions be incorporated into the proposal and that the revised proposal be returned to the Council for action at the October meeting.
 - **Request from marine science for research faculty to chair thesis committees:** The marine science program has requested that Dr. Wade Watanabe and Dr. Michael Mallin be allowed to chair a thesis committee for students in marine science program. The request will be reviewed by the Graduate Faculty Committee who will report to the Graduate Council at the October meeting.

V. Other Business

VI. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.