## **GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**

January 28, 2009

The Graduate Council met at 2:30 p.m. in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Sam Ingram Building. Vice-Chair Vince Smith presided.

#### I. Call to order

## **Members present:**

Kevin James, Jane Marcellus, Robert Kalwinsky, Ronald Ferrara, Kenny Jih, Gore Ervin, Teri Davis, Clare Bratten, and Melissa Moss

## **Ex-Officio members present:**

Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies Peter Cunningham, Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies Mike Boyle, Dean, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

#### II. Announcements

#### A. Dr. Vince Smith, Vice-Chair

Dr. Smith called the meeting to order.

## B. Dr. Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Allen noted that graduate enrollment is up by 17.1% this Spring as opposed to Spring 2008.

#### Dr. Peter Cunningham, Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Cunningham noted that the Department of Social Work now has the MSW webpage up and running. They are now accepting online applications for the upcoming fall semester.

Dr. Cunningham reported that the external review for the MA in International Affairs was held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Dr. Cunningham introduced Mike Boyle, Dean of Continuing Education and Distance Learning. Dr. Boyle is joining the Graduate Council as an ex-officio member.

## III. Approval of minutes from last meeting—December 10, 2008

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2008 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

## **IV.** Sub-Committee Reports

# A. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review Dr. Kevin James, Chair

Consent calendar attached --- A motion was made to accept the consent calendar. The
motion was seconded and passed.

# B. Student Affairs and Travel Dr. Bren Martin, Chair

- No report
- C. Policies and Procedures Dr. Teri Davis, Chair
  - No report

## D. Graduate Program Review Dr. Jane Marcellus, Chair

 Dr. Marcellus reported that dates have been set for the program reviews in Aviation Administration, Computer Science, and Mathematics. The reviews will be held in late March.

## E. Catalog Committee Hoc Only

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## V. Old Business

#### VI. New Business

Nominations for the MTSU Planning Committee

- Dr. Smith submitted the names of three graduate faculty members to represent the College of Graduate Studies on the MTSU Planning Committee. The faculty nominations were Dr. Mary Hoffschwelle (History), Dr. Carroll Van West (Historic Preservation), and Dr. Jeff Leblond (Biology). After a brief discussion, a motion was made to accept the nomination of Dr. Mary Hoffschwelle; seconded and passed.
- Dr. Smith submitted the name of one graduate student to represent the College of Graduate Studies on the MTSU Planning Committee. Lindsay Geouque, an MA student from the Psychology department, was nominated to serve on the committee. A motion was made to accept the nomination of Lindsay Geouque; seconded and passed.

Graduate Academic Suspension Appeals

- Dr. Smith asked for three volunteers for the upcoming Graduate Academic Suspension Appeals committee. The appeals will be held on Tuesday, February 24 @ 9:00 am in the garden level conference room of the Ingram building. Drs. Ron Ferrara, Teri Davis, and Clare Bratten volunteered. Dr. Smith is willing to be an alternate.
- Dr. Cunningham noted that the Graduate Academic Suspension Appeals committee doesn't meet until well after each semester has begun. By the time the student appeals are heard, it is too late in the semester to register for classes if the student's appeal is granted. Therefore, it would be necessary to have the appeals heard before each semester begins. After some discussion, the Council was in agreement. A motion was made to have the Graduate Academic Suspension Appeals take place before the semester begins; seconded and passed.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Hawkins, Recording Secretary

## Graduate Council – Consent Calendar January 28, 2009

## **Graduate Faculty Membership**

## <u>Adjunct</u>

Jane M. Allison / Educational Leadership

Constance R. Blake / Nursing

Jim Christman / Educational Leadership

Barbara Corry / Educational Leadership

Edward Diden / Educational Leadership

Donald Embry / Educational Leadership

David Gotcher / Continuing Education and Distance Learning

Watson Harris / Educational Leadership

Katherine Holland / Educational Leadership

Daniel Lawson / Educational Leadership

Vicki Maddox / Educational Leadership

Tanya Peters / Elementary and Special Education

Christine Potts / Educational Leadership

Sharon K. Roberts / Educational Leadership

Wanda C. Shelton / Educational Leadership

Deborah Wiles / Educational Leadership

Laurie Witherow / Educational Leadership

## **Associate**

Janet Belsky / Psychology
Donald A. Burden / Chemistry
Patricia Gaitely / English
Kihan Kim / Journalism
H. Willis Means / Elementary and Special Education
Jason B. Reineke / Journalism

## Full – Initial Appointment

Beverly J. Boulware / Elementary and Special Education Stuart Fowler / Economics and Finance Zafrullah Khan / Elementary and Special Education Donald P. Roy / Management and Marketing Charlene J. True / Educational Leadership

## Full – Reappointment

Martha Balachandran / Business Communication and Entrepreneurship Alyson S. Bass / Elementary and Special Education Robert B. Blair / Business Communication and Entrepreneurship R. Wayne Gober / Computer Information Systems Nancy Goldberg / Foreign Languages and Literature Paul Kline / Chemistry
Donald L. Lester / Management and Marketing
Glenn Littlepage / Psychology
Lynn C. Parsons / Nursing
Dwight J. Patterson / Chemistry
Christopher J. Quarto / Psychology
Lance H. Selva / Criminal Justice
Stephen Shearon / Music
Marc G. Singer / Management and Marketing
Roy E. Thomas / Management and Marketing
William E. Warren / Management and Marketing

## **Doctoral - Initial**

Scott T. Handy / Chemistry Kim C. Sadler / Biology

## <u>Doctoral – Reappointment</u>

Vincent Cobb / Biology
Ghassem Homaifar / Economics and Finance

## **Curriculum Changes**

## **Educational Leadership**

## **Course Title Change**

SPSE 6960/LIBS 6960 Change course title from Preparation and Utilization of Instructional Materials to Integration of Learning Theory, Curriculum, and Technology, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

## **Engineering Technology**

## **Proposed New Course(s)**

ET 6720 Innovative and Renewable Energy Sources and Technologies, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2009

## Chemistry

## **Change in Credit Hours**

PSCI 6020 Investigations in Physical Science, 1-3 credit hours, effective Spring 2009