GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES  
January 28, 2009

The Graduate Council met at 2:30 p.m. in the 1st 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 23rd.

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  
Ad Hoc Only

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
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Graduate Faculty Membership

**Adjunct**
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
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