

GRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of February 4, 2014
3:30 p.m., Room 207 of the Guillot University Center

The Graduate Council met at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2014, in Room 207 of the Guillot University Center. Dr. Lee Renfro, Chairperson, presided. The following members were present: Dr. Lynn Aquadro, Dr. Birdie Bailey, Ms. Melissa Bolton, Mr. Ryan Caldwell, Dr. Wendy Darby, Dr. Melvin Davis, Dr. Brett King, Dr. Donna Lefort, Dr. Sandra Loew, Mr. Van Lomenick, Dr. Jim Riser, and Dr. John Thornell. Attending as guests were: Jeff Bibbee, Paulette Alexander, Tom Coates, and Terry Richardson.

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 16, 2014

Dr. Darby moved approval and Ms. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Biology for the addition of BI 200W or similar course as prerequisite to BI 521 and 523 – tabled from 1-16-14 meeting

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Darby seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Counselor Education to replace ED 601 in the M.A.Ed. School Counseling curriculum with CHD 601

Dr. Darby moved approval and Ms. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Secondary Education for new course: ED 540

This item was removed from the agenda since the College of Education and Human Sciences discovered it had been approved at the July 2013 meeting.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation to delete courses: HPE 502, HPE 505, HPE 506, HPE 508, HPE 522, HPE 524, HPE 530, HPE 551, HPE 594; new course: SRM 615; revise course title and description: HPE 680

Dr. Darby moved approval and Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. The department was reminded that removing 500-level courses that are typically cross-listed with undergraduate courses could create difficulty in having adequate faculty to cover the standalone graduate courses.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Foreign Languages for new courses: SP 505/506/510/511 and cross list with SP 405/406/410/411; SP 601/602/611/612; SP 621; FL 590 and cross list with FL 490

On motion by Dr. Riser and second by Dr. King, the item was tabled to the next meeting when someone could be in attendance to present the item and answer questions. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Nursing – Online for new courses: NU 507, NU 605, NU 606 with \$225 course fees; and course title/description revision for NU 604

Dr. Loew moved approval and Ms. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. The College of Nursing was asked to consider changing NU 507 to a 600-level course since it will be a stand-alone graduate course and 500-level courses are typically reserved for cross-listing with 400-level undergraduate courses. By consensus, minor editorial changes were made to the document.

Graduate Education

Dr. Thornell introduced a discussion in which he mentioned that in the absence of a graduate dean, the Graduate Council could become more proactive in helping departments that are driving the curriculum in growing graduate education during times when undergraduate enrollment may become steady. In addition, as time permits Graduate Council members were encouraged to review the Graduate Catalog in an effort to streamline policy statements, regulations, etc.

Upon motion by Dr. Darby and second by Ms. Bolton, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Lee Renfroe, Chairperson