

Graduate Council Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting of August 25,2025
Meeting Conducted via Teams

Call to Order

The Graduate Council met via Teams on August 25, 2025. The meeting convened at 3:30 pm, with Dr. John Hodges facilitating.

Members in attendance: Ms. Anastasia Bedard, Ms. Corrie Dalrymple, Dr. Chris DaSambiagio- Moore, Dr. Wes Davenport, Ms. Courtney Dillard, Dr. Ashton Glover, Dr. Erin Henthorn, Dr. John Hodges, Dr. Po Hu, Ms. Misty Jackman, Mr. Elliott Johnson, Dr. Lorie Johnson, Dr. Abdel Mohamed, Dr. Kristy Oden, Dr. John Parnell, Dr. Randall Watts, Dr. Laura Williams

Members not in attendance: Dr. Korinne Babel, Dr. Doug Barrett, Dr. Katie Kinney, Dr. Tera Kirkman, Ms. Katie Roper, Dr. Ryan Zayac

Guests: Dr. Jana Beaver (Proxy for Dr. Doug Barrett), Dr. Keli Brothers (Proxy for Dr. Korinne Babel), Dr. Kyle Conkle (Guest), Dr. Matt Green (Proxy for Dr. Katie Kinney), Dr. Michelle Nelson (Proxy for Dr. Tera Kirkman), Dr. Cheryl Price (Guest), Dr. Jessica Stovall (Proxy for Dr. Ryan Zayac)

AGENDA

1. Recognize Proxies- Dr. Jana Beaver (Proxy for Dr. Doug Barrett), Dr. Keli Brothers (Proxy for Dr. Korinne Babel), Dr. Matt Green (Proxy for Dr. Katie Kinney), Dr. Michelle Nelson (Proxy for Dr. Tera Kirkman), Dr. Jessica Stovall (Proxy for Dr. Ryan Zayac)
2. Approval of the Agenda- A motion was made by Dr. DaSambiagio- Moore to approve the agenda. Dr. Glover made a second and the motion passed.
3. Approval of the minutes from May 12, meeting- A motion was made by Dr. Glover to approve the minutes. Dr. Oden made a second and the motion passed.
4. Nominations for Vice Chair- Email Dr. Hodges if you are willing to serve as Vice Chair. Conduct e- business.
5. Report from the Graduate Advisory Council – Dr. Jana Beaver- No summer meetings with GAC- no items to report. Dr. Cheryl Price is the GAC Chair for 2025-2026 FY.
6. Report from the Office of Academic Affairs – Dr. Laura Williams- Announcements: Welcome Week Events were a success. Thank you so much for doing wonderful things for our students and taking the extra time to be a part of this.
7. Graduate Faculty Applications Submitted during Summer '25 and approved by Associate Dean Group per summer protocol. – No action needed

- 343: **Taylor Desloge – HI**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 344: **Shanquela Williams – SW**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 345: **Sankeerth Rampa – MHA**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 346: **Suzanna Taylor – CJ**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 347: **Ethan Lolley – MU**; no terminal degree in field, but **Lorie Johnson (ljohnson15)** (06/11/25 3:26 pm): Approved with justification documenting related work experience; 5 yr term length
- 348: **Neal Wagner – CSIS**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 349: **Jency Wilson – EN**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 350: **David Draper – MG/MBA**; no terminal degree in field, but **Lorie Johnson (ljohnson15)** (07/03/25 2:58 pm): Approved with the justification as provided, including extensive experience in industry and current specialized training/certifications; 5 yr
- 351: **Faith Kelley – TLL**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 353: **Melissa DeFoor – NU**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 354: **Justin Scott – MG**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 355: **Joseph Kindelsperger – FI**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 356: **Lyndsie Castell – SW**; no terminal degree in field, but has extensive relevant experience; 5 yr
- 357: **Sharon Holley – NU**; terminal degree in field; permanent
- 358: **Lauren Ramsey – SW**; no terminal degree in field, but has extensive relevant experience; 5 yr
- 359: **Charlotte Daugherty – MU**; no terminal degree in field yet, but in doctoral program with expected graduation in 2026 plus has extensive relevant experience; 5 yr
- 360: **Elizabeth Nilsen – MG**; no terminal degree in field yet, but has a Ph.D. defense date in 2 weeks (Aug) with Dec. graduation plus extensive relevant experience; 5 yr
- 361: **Hailey Killen – SW**; no terminal degree in field, but has extensive relevant experience; 5 yr
- 362: **Katherine Flannagin – SW**; no terminal degree in field, but has relevant experience; 5 yr
- 363: **Andrew Mills – MU**; no terminal degree in field, but relevant work experience; 5 yr
- 364: **Ryan Beach – MU**; no terminal degree in field, but extensive relevant work experience; 5 yr
- 365: **Lindsey Sherrill – MG**; terminal degree in field; permanent

8. Consideration of the Graduate Faculty Applications for: A motion was made by Dr. Glover to approve item a. Dr. Oden provided a second, and the motion passed.

a. Dr. Stephanie Oliver- Nursing (Graduate) ACONHP

9. **College of Arts, Sciences, and Engineering**

No items present at this time

10. **Sanders College of Business and Technology**

No items present at this time

11. **College of Education and Human Sciences**

No items present at this time

12. **Anderson College of Nursing and Health Professions**

No items present at this time

13. Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 3:42pm pm by Dr. DaSambiagio- Moore. Dr. Glover provided a second, and the motion passed.