

Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2013

Members Present: Anderson, Kelly – Special Ed and Child Development
Birdsong, Sarah - GPSG Student Representative
Davis, Christine – Communication Studies
Gray, Lee – Architecture
Lipford, Heather Richter – Software & Information Systems
McGregor, Rob Roy – Economics (Graduate Council Chair)
Ojaide, Tanure – Africana Studies
Reynolds, Tom – Associate Provost for Graduate Programs and Dean
Smith, Stephanie Moller - Sociology
Swayne, Linda – Marketing (alternate for Peter Schwarz, Econ)
Swindell, David – Political Science, alternate for (Christine Davis, Comm Studies)
Thompson, Michael – Public Health Sciences

Also Attending: Susan Sell – Graduate School
Johnna Watson – Graduate School
Matthew Wyse – Academic Affairs

Absent: Walker, Judy – Atkins Library
Zhou, Axi – Engineering Tech and Construction Mgmt

I. Approval for the January 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Chair McGregor called the meeting to order. Chair McGregor called for a motion to approve the January 15, 2013 meeting minutes. One revision was requested, to add Ojaide Tanure under the Members Present section. There being no further discussion, the motion was made to approve the minutes with the one revision. The motion was made by Swayne with a second from Davis. The motion was approved unanimously.

II. Report of the Chair

Chair McGregor had nothing to report but recognized Johnna Watson to give the status on the Active Collab system as it was taken down unexpectedly. Watson reported that she is currently working with IT to have the application restored. No ETR at this time.

III. Report of the Dean

- Dean Reynolds reported on spring 2013 Enrollment numbers. Graduate enrollment exceeded its goal of 4800 by 6 -- actual number 4806.
- The Board of Governors met on Feb. 8 to consider the DNP, Doctor of Nurse Practitioner degree program. We fully expect this to be approved. This will be the 20th PhD program with students to begin in the fall of 2014.
- The UNC Graduate Council met on Feb. 13 and considered The PhD in Public Health Science. This still needs to be approved by the Board of Governors but we feel that it

will likely be approved at this level with an expected implementation in the fall 2014 if approved by the Board of Governors.

- Graduate Student Appreciation Week is Feb. 18 – 23rd. Dean Reynolds distributed a handout with activities all week to show our appreciation for graduate students.

IV. Course and Curriculum Proposals

A. BIO 10-24-12: Creation of a Non-thesis Track within the Master's in Biology

Chair McGregor called for a motion to consider this proposal. Swayne made the motion with a second from Anderson. A discussion took place and the following revisions need to be made:

- Hours at the 5000 level – open only to graduate students – clarify language
- Clarify verbiage (concentration or track)
- The proposal refers to a form which was not included. Once the form is included, change verbiage to inactivate, not eliminate.

There being no further discussion, the Chair called for a motion to approve the proposal pending revisions. The motion was made by Lipford with a second from Gray. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. ECE 9-17-12: Establishment of MSEE Graduate Concentration in Power and Energy Systems

Chair McGregor called for a motion to consider. Swayne made the motion with a second from Birdsong. A discussion took place with the following requests for revisions:

- Revise to show difference between 4000/5000 course assignments
- Needs graduate course syllabus

Chair McGregor called for a motion to approve pending revisions. The motion was made by Lipford with a second from Swayne. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. PPOL 12-12-12: Revision of PPOL PhD Curriculum

Chair McGregor called for a motion to consider the proposal. The motion was made by Anderson with a second from Birdsong. A discussion took place with the following request for revisions:

- References to CHHS courses that are not in existence.
- Included a short form – cross listings

There being no further discussion, the Chair called for a motion to approve the proposal pending revision. The motion was made by Anderson with a second from Smith. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. The Role of the Graduate Program Director - Discussion

David Swindell to send complete report on the findings of the Task Force he chaired to Dean Reynolds. The Dean and Chair McGregor will meet to discuss and report at the March meeting.

VI. Graduate Program Review Discussion – Dean Reynolds

Dean Reynolds reported that he has received all reviews in the first round except Chemistry.

The Dean distributed two handouts:
Graduate Program Review Report Guidelines
Key Features of Internal Review Report

Other suggestions for reviewers to identify:

- Three strengths
- Three areas of improvement

Other ways to evaluate:

- Talk with the Graduate Program Director and/or Department chair
- Look at the department's website
- Look at the program catalog copy

At the previous Council meeting, the Dean suggested reviewing the programs in teams. The proposed team structure is below:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Program Cluster</u>	
Davis, McGregor, Thompson, Zhou	Math PhD Math MS	Philosophy
Birdsong, Lipford, Smith, Swayne	Opti PhD Opti MS	Chemistry Applied Physics
Anderson, Gray, Ojaide, Walker	Psych I/O Psych C/C	Bus PhD Economics

The chair asked the Council to consider the team structure as proposed by the Dean. He also asked the Council to read through the assigned reports and develop a list of questions they encounter as they review and bring to the March meeting. It was also suggested that the Council try and have something in writing by the April 2013 meeting.

VII. Other Business

The meeting adjourned at 1:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Annette Parks
Secretary to the Graduate Council