# **Minutes Graduate Council Meeting**

Thursday, November 16, 2017 - AC 401

# **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rebecca Anthony, Online MSW

Doug DeWitt, Ed Leadership and Chair

Lacie Doyle, OGS

Kelly Fiala, M.S.A.T.

Maida Finch, Seidel School Rep.

Clifton Griffin, Dean of Graduate Studies

Stuart Hamilton, GIS

Toran Hansen, CADR

Richard Hoffman, Perdue School Rep.

Randy Insley, AHPH

Brittany Kesteven, GSC President

Dana Price, BIO

Vicki Root, M.S.W.

Jessica Scott, OGS

Lisa Seldomridge, M.S.N. and D.N.P.

Chris Vilmar, English/Faculty Senate Liaison

Star Weaver, M.A.T.

## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Aaron Basko, Enrollment Management

Jennifer Bergner, M.S.M.E.

Michele Bracken, Henson School Rep.

Celine Carayon, History

Yvonne Downie Hanley, M.B.A.

Judith Franzak, Ed.D.

Jackie Maisel, Registrar

Karen Olmstead, Provost

Ignaciyas Soosaipillai, Fulton School Rep

Diana Wagner, M.Ed.

Joyce Wiencek, M.Ed. Reading Specialist

## **GUESTS:**

Caroline Eckhardt, Blackwell Victoria Martin, Blackwell

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POLITICAL SCIENCE - The following course is being dropped: POSC 517

## VII. GSC Update – Brittany Kesteven

The recent social event had over thirty attendees representing seven programs.

The next social event will have a holiday theme. Date is TBD.

GSC is partnering with Career Services for a resume seminar the week after Thanksgiving.

Eighty people responded to the Grad Student Doodle Poll.

There will be donut and coffee breaks in the Grad Lounge during finals.

Brittany has been asked to serve on the President Search Committee.

o C. Griffin thanked Brittany for serving on the committee and is pleased that graduate studies is being represented in the selection process.

#### VIII. Update to Faculty Handbook – Clifton Griffin

The Provost requested that the Faculty Handbook be updated. Much of the information and policies included were outdated. The first half of the graduate chapter is bylaw information. There is a lot of information within the bylaws that need to be addressed but will take a campus-wide vote by grad faculty. We will discuss how that needs to occur.

#### IX. Dean's Remarks – Clifton Griffin

Reminded program directors to submit their student for the Re:Search Magazine spotlight. Would like draft by holiday break. Student can be at any place in their program – this is an opportunity for programs to consider what outcome do they want told?

Update on the CollegeNet Prospect tool. It is currently in the procurement stage. We are waiting to find out if an RFP will be needed or if it will be allowed since it is an enhancement to a current product.

FTE Report per Program – L. Doyle worked with Ken Jansen and the report was reviewed by C. Griffin. It is ready and will be sent to Grad Program Directors.

PI Policy – The PI policy is still being discussed and how to assist graduate students in their research endeavors. Any current IRB applications should indicate the faculty advisor/mentor is the PI and the student is the Co-PI.

C. Griffin congratulated the Biology department for their Ted Talk series at Specific Gravity. This is affiliated with a biology course which stresses science communication. There were various topics discussed. It was very well-attended and a great idea. Would like to see the idea developed in other disciplines. The next one is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### X. Other

D. DeWitt updated group on Qualtrics. If there is a grad student who needs it, IT will manually provide access. The Learning with Technology Committee is looking at how to get it to students who need it.

D. DeWitt invited group to honor his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday by participating in a food drive on 11/18, 3-5pm at Halo.