

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
June 26, 2001
Pending Approval

Meeting convened: 3:03 p.m.

Members present: Peter Aronhime, Melanie Hurst, Bruce Kemelgor, Peter Meyer, George Pack, William Pierce, Arthur Van Stewart, Deborah Voltz.
Ex-Officio: Ronald Atlas, Michael Cuyjet, Joanne Rowe, Richard Stremel.

Members Absent: Faye Austin, Carolyn Klinge, Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, Ron Sahoo, Joe Steffen, Mary Ann Stenger, Richard Tewksbury, Kevin Walsh.

Dean Atlas presided throughout the meeting.

1. Motion: That the minutes of May 22, 2001 be approved. Motion made by Bruce Kemelgor and seconded by Arthur Van Stewart.
PASSED

2. Membership Committee Report

Since the Revised Bylaws of the Graduate School were effective at the date of Board of Trustee action (June 25, 2001), it was recommended by Bruce Kemelgor that the report of the Membership Committee be amended to conform with the approved two-tiered approach to Graduate Faculty status. The members of the Membership Committee present agreed and this action was approved by Council.

Recommendation for 5 individuals to the Graduate Faculty.

MOTION: the following individuals be approved for Senior Graduate Faculty membership:

Dr. Mehmed M. Kantardzic – Department of Computer Engineering and Computer Science (Speed)

Dr. Nalini S. Bora - Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (Medicine)

Dr. Shamar S. Kakar - Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (Medicine)

APPROVED as recommended by Committee

MOTION: the following individuals be approved for Graduate Faculty membership:

Dr. Antonio Badia – Department of Computer Engineering and Computer Science (Speed)

Dr. Gregory E. Rutkowski - Department of Chemical Engineering (Speed)

APPROVED as recommended by Committee.

3. Announcements/Other Business:

The Bylaws of the Graduate School were approved by the Board of Trustees on June 25, 2001. Letters will be sent to all Graduate Faculty notifying them that they will be Senior Graduate Faculty as of that date.

The Graduate Admissions Office will be moved to the Graduate School. A search is underway for a Director of Admissions and staff to complete the Admissions operation. The Admissions Office is to be operational by this fall.

The Graduate School must develop procedures for Dismissal of Graduate Students and these procedures must apply to all graduate programs. Codifying procedures will permit a proper grievance procedure for graduate students. These Dismissal Procedures will be brought to Graduate Council in the fall.

The Leave of Absence Policy for Graduate Students has cleared the University Counsel's Office and is now Graduate School policy.

The Policy on Full-time Student status was discussed. To serve as a Graduate Teaching Assistant, Graduate Research Assistant, or University Fellow in a 12-month program, a student must maintain full-time enrollment in graduate school. Full-time enrollment is defined as a minimum of 9 credit hours in the fall and spring terms and 6 credit hours in the summer. If a student has federal loans that require full-time enrollment, the summer enrollment must be increased to 9 credit hours. UofL is negotiating with the federal government to reduce this requirement to 6 credit hours.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:58 pm.