

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING  
April 23, 2002  
Pending Approval

Meeting convened at 3:05 – Dr. Atlas presiding

Members present: Peter Aronhime, Susan Griffin, Ruth Huber, Melanie Hurst, Bruce Kemelgor, Vicki Hines-Martin, Peter Meyer, Seow-Chin Ong, William Pierce, Ron Sahoo, Joseph Steffen, Mary Ann Stenger, Arthur Van Stewart, Deborah Voltz, and William Wead.

Ex Officio: Ronald Atlas, Joanne Rowe, and Richard Stremel.

Members Absent: Faye Austin, Barbara Clark, Waldemar Karwowski, Carolyn Klinge, Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, George Pack, and Richard Tewksbury.

Guests: Henry Luka, Laurie Rhodebeck, Wayne Usui, Russell Vandenbroucke, and Charles Ziegler.

Henry Luka – College of Education and Human Development doctoral student will replace Melanie Hurst as the student representative to Graduate Council.

1. MOTION: Minutes of the March 26, 2002 meeting of the Graduate Council be approved with one correction – Mary Ann Stenger was absent from the previous meeting.  
Move to approve the Minutes – Susan Griffin, second – Bruce Kemelgor.  
PASSED.

2. Curriculum Committee Report: Ron Sahoo, Chair  
Proposal for combined J.D./M.A. in Political Science – Charles Ziegler and Laurie Rhodebeck presented the overview.  
MOTION: Committee recommended approval.  
PASSED.

Proposal for changes to the Combined Bachelor's/Master/s Program in Sociology – Wayne Usui presented the overview. Questions concerning the 9hrs that seniors can take and count as graduate courses. Will the student pay for graduate hours as graduate students or will they pay for undergraduate hours? Will students become graduate students before they have received their undergraduate degree. Dean Atlas will check with registrar and Dr. Usui will discuss with the department.

MOTION: Committee recommended approval.  
PASSED.

Debbie Voltz gave an overview. Linda Irwin-Devitis arrived after the discussion.

Proposals : New Certification Program in 8-12 Science; program leading to Certification in Learning and Behavior Disorders Rank II and/or master of Education

in Learning and Behavior Disorders; curriculum contract and program sheet for P-12 Certification or M.Ed. in Moderate/Severe Disabilities; program leading to Initial Certification and Master's of Education in Special Education resulting in Moderate/Severe Disabilities P-12 Certification; and Modification of Middle Grades 5-9 MAT program. Education program changes are based on certification requirements from the State Department. There were two changes in each program deleting two courses and adding one new one. Program sheet was rearranged to better reflect the programs.

MOTION: Committee recommended approval.

PASSED.

Certificate in African American Theatre – Dr. Russell Vandembroucke gave the overview of the proposal.

NOTE: registrar will need to add a check box for this certificate to the application.

This will be done after proposal is approved by BOT.

MOTION: Committee recommended approval.

PASSED.

3. MOTION: Approval of May graduates upon completion of degree requirements.

PASSED.

Professor Ong requested that last names be checked (although the Graduate School does not issue the diploma) and listed correctly. The names are taken from the degree application that the student fills out and turns in to the Graduate School. Suggestion is to indicate on the form where the last name is requested, add the word surname or family name. It was also pointed out that changing the name of a department does not automatically change the name of the Graduate Program within the department. Changing the names of Programs must be vetted through CPE.

4. Membership Committee Report.

The following individual was reviewed by the Membership Committee and is recommended as a member of the **Graduate Faculty**:

Ricky Jones, Ph.D., *Department of Pan-African Studies*, College of Arts and Sciences.

MOTION: To accept Committee Report.

PASSED.

5. Other Business.

A question was asked about impending Honorary Degrees. Dean Atlas indicated that none were currently under consideration.

Associate Dean Stremel provided an update on the nominations for Graduate Council elections. No nominations for open positions have been received from Speed Scientific School, School of Medicine, and College of Business and Public Administration.

Dean Atlas issued a request for judges at the upcoming International Engineering and Science Fair.

Graduate Council's own Ruth Huber was congratulated for being selected the Trustees Award winner for this year.

Associate Dean Stremel announced that the Graduate School had filled all available slots for University Fellows and Ethnic Minority Scholarships for the 2002-03 academic year.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:16 pm.