

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING  
February 25, 2003  
Pending Approval

Meeting convened at 3:00 – Associate Dean Stremel presiding.

Members present: John Firriolo, Carlton Hornung, Ruth Huber, Bruce Kemelgor, Carolyn Klinge, William Pierce, Ron Sahoo, Joseph Steffen, Deborah Voltz and William Wead.

Ex Officio: Richard Stremel.

Members Absent: Susan Griffin, Vicki Hines-Martin, Waldemar Karwowski, Henry Luka, Dismas Masolo, Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, Suzanne Meeks, Peter Meyer, Grant Taylor, and James Wittliff.

Guests: Glen Prater, Jim Fiet, Sean McNamara, Linda Shapiro, Robert Forbes, Lee Larson, Kevin Clancy, Don Taylor.

1. Approval of the Minutes from the January 28, 2003 meeting of Graduate Council.  
MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the January meeting. Moved by Joe Steffen and seconded by Carolyn Klinge.  
PASSED.

2. Report of the Curriculum Committee.
  - Master of Science in Human Resource Education (previously Tabled)  
A motion to remove this item from the Table was made by Ruth Huber and seconded by Carolyn Klinge. The MOTION passed. The program in Human Resource Education in the College of Education and Human Development requests a change in degree for the program. Pat Leitsch represented the program. The change is from a M.Ed. to a M.S. in HRE. The reason for the request is the perception that prospective students equate education with teaching and kids. It is also the case that the undergraduate degree that feeds this program is typically a B.S. in Training Development. This is a program designed to prepare trainers and instructional designers.  
MOTION: To approve the proposed change in the HRE program.  
PASSED.

Following approval of the Motion, Council engaged in a lively discussion of the criteria that establish whether a degree is a M.S. or a M.A. In the case of the HRE action most Council members voted positively because there were no criteria available to guide the character of the degree.

MOTION: A motion to charge the Curriculum Committee recommending criteria to describe the nature of a Science degree versus an Arts degree. The motion was made by Bill Pierce and seconded by Ruth Huber.  
PASSED.

- Proposal for a Dual Degree in Mathematics and Biostatistics  
 Upon completion of this program, students will receive a Ph.D. in Applied and Industrial Mathematics and a M.S.P.H. in Biostatistics-Decision Science. Bill Rising, from Public Health, attended a previous Council meeting to present the Program. Representatives from Mathematics were present. In response to the question “what happens to the dual degree when one of the participating departments changes its curricula?”, it was agreed that the programs would have to adapt to ensure requirements were met.  
 MOTION: To approve the proposal for a dual degree in Mathematics and Biostatistics.  
 PASSED.
- Proposal for a Certificate in Logistics and Distribution (LoDI)  
 This is a proposal for a Certificate that is less than 24 credit hours, thus does not require CPE approval. Representatives from LoDI were present to present the proposal. The Certificate is an Independent Study program offered under the umbrella of the Graduate School, but is supported by the College of Arts & Sciences, College of Business & Public Administration, and the Speed Scientific School. The Certificate will provide credentialing beyond the Bachelors degree and is strongly supported by industry.  
 MOTION: To approve the Certificate in LoDI.  
 PASSED.
- Proposal for a Ph.D. in Entrepreneurship  
 This is a proposal for a Ph.D. that is 60 credit hours beyond the M.B.A. There are 3 programs in Entrepreneurship in the U.S. and 3 others in the world. CBPA is well positioned in Entrepreneurship and has the largest group in the country. A high demand for the program is expected. Requests for information have been received in the absence of advertising. The first two years of course work are highly structured. It was noted that the commitment of 1.5 FTE’s is quite low for a program that expects to grow to 24 students. This program also calls upon the good will of other colleges since the curricula includes mathematics and social sciences.  
 MOTION: To approve the proposal for a Ph.D. in Entrepreneurship.  
 PASSED.
- Proposal for a Non-Thesis Option in the M.S. in Mechanical Engineering.  
 Glenn Prater was present to discuss the proposal. This proposal follows the national trend to meet the advanced technology needs of engineering practitioners and will allow faculty to devote more mentoring efforts to doctoral students. M.S. students taking this option would substitute 6 hours of electives for 6 hours of Thesis.  
 MOTION: To approve the Non-Thesis option for the M.S. in Mechanical Engineering.  
 PASSED.

- Proposal for Changes in the Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering.  
Glen Pater provided the background for this proposal. The original Ph.D. proposal was developed to avoid overlap with the degree offered by UK and thus had two focused areas of research specialization. One area has less student demand than the other and thus eliminating the specialization areas will allow development of curricula around faculty research interests. The proposed change essentially substitutes elective courses for courses in the two focus areas. It is anticipated that the change will aid student recruitment.  
MOTION: to approve the proposed changes in the Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering.  
PASSED.
- Proposal for changes in the M.A. in Mathematics.  
Professors Larson and Clancy were present from the Department to introduce the proposed changes. The change is to eliminate the internship option as a substitute for either the Examination or Thesis options in the curricular requirements. Students may still enroll in internships, they simply cannot use the internship to satisfy requirements for examination or thesis.  
MOTION: To approve the changes in the M.A. in Mathematics.  
PASSED.
- Proposal for Curricular Changes in the Music Education Degree.  
No one was present from Music to present the proposal.  
MOTION: A motion to Table the Proposal for Curricular Changes in Music Education was made by Joe Steffen and seconded by Carolyn Klinge.  
PASSED.

3. Report of the Membership Committee.  
The following individuals were reviewed by the Membership Committee and are recommended as members of the **Senior Graduate Faculty**:

- Namok Choi, Ph.D., *Department of Leadership, Foundations, & Human Resource Education*, College of Education and Human Development.

MOTION: To approve recommendation.  
PASSED.

4. Report of the Nominations Committee.  
Bill Wead, Chair of the Nominations Committee reported that Grant Taylor had been nominated to serve on the Provost's Program Review Committee and that Joe Steffen and Ruth Huber were nominated to serve on the Scholarship Committee. Professor Huber withdrew leaving Professor Steffen as the sole nominee. Council elected the Professors Taylor and Steffen to their respective Committees.

5. Other Business.

Associate Dean Stremel announced that on March 28<sup>th</sup>, the Graduate Student Council and Graduate School will be hosting a forum on Digital Theses and Dissertations. Dr. Bill Savage from UMI/ProQuest will be presenting as will UofL Librarians. The program will be at 4:00pm in the College of Business and Public Administration Auditorium. Encourage colleagues and students to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.