

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

Meeting convened at 3:02 – Dean Atlas presiding.

Members present: John Firriolo, Vicki Hines-Martin, Carlton Hornung, Ruth Huber, Waldemar Karwowski, Carolyn Klinge, Henry Luka, William Pierce, Joseph Steffen, Grant Taylor, and James Wittliff.

Ex Officio: Ronald Atlas and Richard Stremel.

Members Absent: Susan Griffin, Bruce Kemelgor, Dismas Masolo, Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, Suzanne Meeks, Peter Meyer, Ron Sahoo, Deborah Voltz and William Wead.

Guests: Robert Amchin, Carolyn Rude-Parkins, and Linda Irwin-DeVitis.

1. Approval of the Minutes from the February 25, 2003 meeting of Graduate Council.
MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the January meeting with the correction that the Entrepreneurship Ph.D. will grow to 24 students, 15 of which will be supported with stipends by the program. Moved by Ruth Huber and seconded by Carolyn Klinge.
PASSED.
2. Report of the Curriculum Committee.
 - Proposal for Changes in the Music Education Degree
A motion to remove the Proposal from the table was made and passed.
Professor Amchin from the School of Music presented the proposal, which is essentially a change in core courses so that they are required, not merely recommended. The change would give all music education masters-level students (MAT and MME) a more consistent core of courses.
MOTION: To approve the proposed change in the Music Education degrees.
PASSED.
 - Proposal for a Change in the Degree Title from Ph.D. in Educational Administration to Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Organizational Development
Professors Rude-Parkins and Irwin-DeVitis from the College of Education and Human Development presented the proposal. The change in title is intended to more accurately reflect changes in the field and is more descriptive of the nature of the program. This Ph.D. is more broadly based than traditional educational administration programs. The change also emanates from reorganization in the CEHD that brought 3 programs together as one.

MOTION: To approve the proposal for a change in the Ph.D. in Educational Administration.

PASSED, with two abstentions.

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**:

- Annette Allen, Ph.D., *Division of Humanities*, College of Arts and Sciences
- Ramesh C. Gupta, Ph.D., *Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology*, School of Medicine.
- Martin C. Weinrich, Ph.D., *Department of Bioinformatics & Biostatistics*, School of Public Health and Information Science.

MOTION: To approve recommendation.

PASSED.

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

- Xiangqian Liu, Ph.D., *Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering*, Speed Scientific School.
- Becky F. Antle, Ph.D., Kent School of Social Work.

MOTION: To approve recommendation.

PASSED.

4. Report of the Nominations Committee.

To fill a vacancy in the representation of the Medical School at Graduate Council, Associate Dean Stremel contacted the School of Medicine Dean's Office to obtain nominations from the Graduate Faculty of the School. The following nominees were returned to the Nominations Committee Chair, Dr. Bill Wead:

- James Jumblatt, Ph.D., Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
- Nalini Bora, Ph.D., Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
- Peter Rowell, Ph.D., Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology

After discussion of the nominees, Council members were asked to rank the nominees 1-3, by secret ballot. Peter Rowell received the lowest total and was elected by Council to complete the term of Stephen W. Looney, Ph.D.. This term is through June 2005.

5. Other Business.

Dean Atlas reminded Council that the Graduate Catalog was being finalized and any changes in program description, courses, etc. should be in the hands of Jenny Madden, Director of Graduate Student Services. He also requested nominations for Graduate School Honors for the May Commencement ceremony.

The University Budget will provide \$400K to increase GTA/GRA lines in some units and sustain a fund of money for diversity needs. The investment in units is focused and not across the board. Humanities, Pan African Studies, Chemistry, Nursing, Music and Social Work all received increased GTA/GRA support.

Dean Atlas announced that University Fellowships in the Medical School will be increased to \$20,000 beginning this Fall term. The increase is designed to keep UofL competitive with other institutions and follows NIH stipend increases. The support for the IPIBS students is, however, being reduced to 18 months. The Graduate School did not have the resources to raise stipends in other programs but will work to do so in the future. An increase in support at the Medical School may disadvantage Biology, Chemistry and Psychology because they may compete for the same students, but the increased stipend may be offset by the reduction in duration of support.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:51 p.m.