

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
April 22, 2003
Pending Approval

Meeting convened at 3:05 p.m. – Dean Atlas presiding.

Members present: John Firriolo, Vicki Hines-Martin, Waldemar Karwowski, Bruce Kemelgor, Carolyn Klinge, Henry Luka, Dismas Masolo, William Pierce, Joseph Steffen, Deborah Voltz and James Wittliff.

Ex Officio: Ronald Atlas and Michael Cuyjet.

Members Absent: Susan Griffin, Carlton Hornung, Ruth Huber, Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, Suzanne Meeks, Peter Meyer, Ron Sahoo, Grant Taylor and William Wead.

Guest: Thomas Geoghegan.

1. Approval of the Minutes from the March 25, 2003 meeting of Graduate Council.
MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the March meeting. Moved by Carolyn Klinge and seconded by Waldemar Karwowski.
PASSED.
2. Report of the Curriculum Committee.
 - Proposal for a Non-Thesis Option for the M.S. Degree Program in Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
Dr. Geoghegan, representing the department, made a brief presentation of the rationale and protocol for the new program. Council had few questions.
MOTION: To approve Committee recommendation.
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**:
 - Michael R. Fowler, J.D., *Department of Political Science*, College of Arts and Sciences.
 - Jason Chesney, M.D., Ph.D., *Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology*, School of Medicine.
 - Michael Hetman, M.D., Ph.D., *Department of Neurological Surgery*, School of Medicine.MOTION: To approve amended recommendation.
PASSED.

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

- Chin K. Ng, Ph.D., *Department of Radiology*, School of Medicine.
- Ye Qi Liu, Ph.D., *Department of Pediatrics*, School of Medicine.
- Janice E. Sullivan, M.D., *Departments of Pediatrics and Pharmacology & Toxicology*, School of Medicine.

MOTION: To approve amended recommendation.

PASSED.

4. Report of the Honorary Degree Committee.

MOTION: To approve the nomination of the following individuals for the Honorary Degree, Doctor of Public Service, Honoris Causa:

- Richard Carmona, M.D., Surgeon General of the United States
- Sam Weakley, M.D.
- Lolita Weakly, M.D.

PASSED

5. Approval of the Degree Candidates for the May Commencement

MOTION: The Graduate Council approves the list of candidates for graduate degrees to be awarded at the May 2003 Commencement, provided all requirements for the degree are met prior to Commencement. Motion made by Bruce Kemelgor and seconded by Bill Pierce.

PASSED.

6. Graduate Council Reapportionment and Elections.

Dean Atlas reported that A&S, while by apportionment is eligible for 7 Council seats, the Bylaws limit units to six seats. CBPA, by apportionment loses one seat (from 2 down to one), but the Bylaws prohibit shortening a Council Member's term through reapportionment, thus Graduate Council voting members will increase from 22 to 23 for the 2003-04 academic year. Nominations must be received by April 25th and ballots must be returned by May 16th.

7. Other Business.

Dean Atlas reported on potential litigation over the change from Ed.D. to Ph.D. degrees in Education.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:41 p.m.