

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
February 22, 2005

Meeting convened at 3:06 p.m. – Dean Atlas presiding.

Members present: Namok Choi, Evelyne Gozal, Vicki Hines-Martin, Carlton Hornung, Ruth Huber, Larry Hunt, Waldemar Karwowski, Elangovan Krishnan, Dismas Masolo, Joseph Steffen, Nancy Theriot, and James Wittliff.

Ex officio: Ronald M. Atlas, Michael Cuyjet, and Richard Stremel.

Members Absent: David Clouthier, Susan Griffin, Carolyn Klinge, Kathleen Klueber, Ann Larson, Seow-Chin Ong, George Pack, Rammohan Ragade, Ron Sahoo, and S. Srinivasan.

Guests: None.

1. Approval of the Minutes from the January 25, 2005 meeting.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the December meeting as submitted. Moved by Joe Steffen; seconded by Larry Hunt.

PASSED.

2. Report of the Honorary Degree Committee

The Committee met to consider the credentials of three individuals for Honorary Degrees to be awarded at a UofL Comencement. One nominee was considered without reservations while considerable discussion developed around the other two. After additional discussion before Graduate Council, the Committees recommendation that all three nominees be awarded Honorary Degrees was voted upon. Each was voted upon separately, and each nomination was approved by Graduate Council.

3. Report of the Membership Committee.

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

- Eric Rouchka, D.Sc., *Department of Computer Engineering & Computer Science*, Speed School of Engineering.

MOTION: From the Committee to approve the recommendation of the nomination to **Member of the Graduate Faculty**.

PASSED.

4. Discussion of Graduate School Policies and Guidelines.

This item will be carried over to the next Graduate Council meeting.

5. Discussion of Graduate School Review.

As indicated last month, the Provost's Office has initiated a review of the Graduate School. The first step in this process was the visit of Dr. Jules LaPidus, past-president of the Council of Graduate Schools and ex-graduate dean. Dr. LaPidus met

with the Graduate School administration, the VP Research, and the Provost. Dr. LaPidus laid the ground work for the CGS consultants who will visit campus in May. Graduate Council will meet with the visiting team during that site visit.

6. Other Business.

Associate Dean Stremel Chaired the remainder of the meeting. The Nominations Committee has provided nominees to the Decanal Advisory Committee. Ron Sahoo, Ruth Huber, and Evelyne Gozal were nominated and elected by Graduate Council to 1, 2, and 3 year terms respectively. A student member is still to be elected. Rosalie Mainous was nominated and elected to fill a vacancy on the Membership Committee. The graduate student member of Council asked that a discussion of Graduate Student Day occur in the near future. The students also thanked the Graduate School and Dr. Cuyjet for intervention in the travel dispute and the positive outcome.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m