

JOINT GRADUATE FACULTY/GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING

May 27, 2008

Chao Auditorium, Ekstrom Library

(to vote on revised Bylaws & Minimum Guidelines)

Meeting convened at 3:00 PM – Interim Vice Provost and Acting Dean William (Bill) Pierce presiding.

Members present: Amber Carrier, David Dubofsky, Carlton Hornung, Ruth Huber, Carolyn Klinge, Ann Larson, David Scott, Joseph Steffen, Nancy Theriot, and Deborah Thomas.

Ex officio: Paul DeMarco

Members Absent: Annette Allen, Namok Choi, Mehmed Kantardzic, Steven Myers, John Naber, Seow-Chin Ong, George Pack, Ron Sahoo.

Guests: Wendy Pfeffer (Classical & Modern Languages), Elaine Wise (A&S), Dan Mahony (Provost's Office), David Doukas (Fam & Geriatric Med), Robert Kimball (Philosophy), and Tim Hall, Associate Dean, Law School.

- I. ACTION ITEM:** Consideration of Bylaws revision and motion by Graduate Council:
“The Graduate Council Council recommends to the Graduate Faculty approval of the Bylaws of the School of Interdisciplinary and Graduate Studies and the Minimum Guidelines for Graduate Education.”

Dr. Pierce explained that changes could still be made to this document if necessary. Elaine Wise recommended the wording in 2.2.1. (C) be changed to reflect the following:

‘Participate in academic programs review of **interunit** interdisciplinary programs specific to the unit.’

Council unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Ballots were handed out to Graduate Faculty members and a poll was taken. Dr. Steffen made a MOTION to adjourn this part of the meeting at 3:10 PM. Seconded. PASSED.

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Call to order: Dr. Bill Pierce 3:10 PM

I. Consideration of Minutes from April 22, 2008
MOTION from Dr. Steffen to accept minutes as distributed. Seconded. PASSED.

II. ACTION ITEMS: Curriculum Committee

Proposal for Joint JD/MA 4-Year Track (Drs. Doukas & Kimball). Dr. Ann Larson gave the report for the committee. Drs. Doukas and Kimball were invited to give a recap of the proposal, along with Tim Hall, Associate Dean of the Law School. Dr. Hornung asked about the details of the humanities courses in this degree program. It was emphasized that this had already been approved by the curriculum committee, and it was just being asked for the council for their approval. MOTION from curriculum committee to approve. PASSED.

Proposal for CECS Certificate in Network and Information Security – Dr. Anup Kumar could not be reached to represent this program at the meeting. Dr. Larson explained that the proposal had been approved by curriculum committee except one support letter from Dr. Kumar. Dr. Paul DeMarco had contacted Dr. Kumar on behalf of the committee to request the letter to move ahead. MOTION by Dr. Steffen to table this item pending receipt of the support letter. David Scott seconded. PASSED

II. Votes to accept the Bylaws and Minimum Guidelines were tallied and reported:

Approve 59 total Disapprove 2 total Abstentions 1 total

(8 to 1 to approve bylaws and guidelines collected at this meeting, to be added to what Dr. Pierce had already collected/received). No abstentions. Due to failure to achieve required 25% quorum, an electronic vote was subsequently conducted.

Motion to adjourn meeting and seconded at 3:30 P.M.

FINAL VOTING TOTALS (Close of ballot – 17:00 June 17, 2008)

% Graduate Faculty voting	30.4%	Needed	
		25.0%	OK
	<u>VOTES</u>	<u>%age</u>	
voting approval	233	94.0%	OK
voting disapproval	8	3.2%	
<u>abstaining</u>	7	<u>2.8%</u>	
TOTAL	248	100.0%	

Respectfully submitted
By Jan Link