



Graduate Council Minutes

Date 10/15/2020 Start Time 3:30p Adjournment Time 4:58p Location Zoom (COVID-19)
 Type of Meeting Regular Special

CHAIR	Jeffrey Anderson
SECRETARY	Debra Craighead
ATTENDEES	Kevin Baer, Ruoxi Chen, Susie Cox, Leigh Hersey, Keith Jackson, Georgios Matthaiolampakis, Jack Palmer, Long Pham, Ava Pugh, Elizabeth Stammerjohan, Kenna Veronee and Graduate School: Sushma Krishnamurthy
ABSENT	Excused: Wendy Bailes, Chris Gissendanner, Anne Marie Sisk, Paul Sylvester

AGENDA

PRELIMINARY, OLD BUSINESS, AND INITIAL BUSINESS	
	<p>A. Approval of September 2020 regular meeting minutes with edits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to APPROVE by Leigh Hersey; second by Ava Pugh • Approved by Council
GRADUATE FACULTY RECOMMENDATIONS	
	<p>Graduate faculty recommendations were reviewed and voting conducted. The Graduate School maintains the results of the recommendations in the Graduate School office and provides the results to the program chairs and faculty members.</p>
STUDENT APPEALS	
	<p>Student appeals were reviewed and voting conducted. The Graduate School maintains the results of the appeals in the Graduate School office and provides the results to the program chairs and the students.</p>
NEW BUSINESS	
	<p>A. Comprehensive Exam Course “0” credit feedback solicited. Programs represented discussed drawbacks expressed by faculty. Course not pursued at this time.</p> <p>B. Graduate Faculty Membership Policy Renewal Process was updated as follows: RENEWAL PROCESS Each Program will review a faculty member’s application for a fresh three or five-year term as the case may be for Graduate Faculty membership.</p> <p>a) Each Program’s Graduate Committee will conduct the review. The review will then be evaluated</p>

by the School Director.

b) The Dean will review the request make a recommendation to the Graduate School to either award or deny Graduate Faculty membership.

c) In the case of a denial, the Academic Dean or School Director, or person with direct evaluatory authority, counsels the applicant regarding the deficiencies in the application as guidance for future application for Graduate Faculty status.

d) The Graduate School Director accepts or denies the request.

e) The Graduate School Director then submits the renewals to the Graduate Council for final approval.

f) The Graduate School Director communicates the final decision to the faculty member and his/her School Director and Academic Dean.

g) In the case of a denial, the Graduate School Director, or person with direct evaluatory authority, counsels the applicant regarding any deficiencies in the application, as guidance for future application for Graduate Faculty Status.

h) Appropriate changes are made to the Graduate School website by the Graduate School.

i) The month and year of appointment of graduate faculty status will be maintained as record by the Graduate School.

j) The Graduate Council may dedicate a special meeting twice a year on Dead Day (December and May) to review all renewals for graduate faculty.

- Motion to approve by Kevin Baer; second by Ava Pugh
- Approved unanimously by Council

OLD BUSINESS	
None	

Approved by committee/council chair **Yes** on 11/30/20