

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2016 @ 3:04 pm to 4:34 pm

Location: Giolas Conference Room

Subject: Executive Committee of the Graduate Faculty Council (EC-GFC) Meeting Minutes Summary

Attendees: Richard Bass, Victoria Blodgett (Ex Officio), Sylvain Deguise, Jane Gordon, Mitchell Green, Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Etan Markus, and Barbara Parziale (Ex Officio, Secretary)

Absent: Maria-Luz Fernandez, Joseph Loturco (sabbatical), Charles Mahoney (sabbatical), and Lynn Puddington

Guests: Bill Simonsen, Mark Robbins, Mina Mina, Peter Diplock

1. Agenda item number one (1) – Call to order. Dean Kent Holsinger called to order the regular meeting of the EC-GFC of January 27, 2016 at 3:04 pm.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – Introductions of guests were made: Bill Simonsen, Mark Robbins, Mina Mina, and Peter Diplock.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – Presented for consideration and voting – Approval of the minutes. Dean Kent Holsinger introduced the minutes of the December 2, 2015 meeting of the EC-GFC. There was a motion offered which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number three (3) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
4. Agenda item number four (4) – Presented for consideration and voting by Mina Mina – (New) *The Combined DMD/PhD Program at UConn Health*. After a brief discussion a motion was offered which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number four (4) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
5. Agenda item number five (5) – Presented for consideration and voting by Mark Robbins and William Simonsen – *Master’s Degree in Public Policy*. The members found this to be an excellent proposal. A motion was offered which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number five (5) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
6. Agenda item number six (6) – Presented for consideration and voting by Peter Diplock – *Certificate Program in Exercise Prescription*. After a brief discussion a motion was offered which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number six (6) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
7. Agenda item number six (7) – New business, updates and announcements.
 - a. The language in the Graduate Catalog regarding the dissertation proposal is sufficient and the members agreed to make no changes at this time.
 - b. Kent will speak with the General Counsel’s office regarding how to handle the Behavior History Research Committee’s responsibility determining applicants past behavioral issues.
8. There was a motion offered for adjournment which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. The motion was passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 4:34 with 9 members and 4 guests in attendance.
9. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 24, 2016 in the Giolas Conference Room.**