

Date: Wednesday, February 24, 2016 @ 3:10 pm to 3:58 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), Jane Gordon, Mitchell Green, Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Etan Markus, Barbara Parziale (Ex Officio, Secretary), and Lynn Puddington

Absent: Sylvain Deguise, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Joseph Loturco (sabbatical), and Charles Mahoney (sabbatical)

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1. Agenda item number one (1) – Call to order. Dean Kent Holsinger called to order the regular meeting of the EC-GFC of February 24, 2016 at 3:10 pm.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – Introductions of guests. No guests were present.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – Presented for consideration and voting – Approval of the minutes. Dean Kent Holsinger introduced the minutes of the January 27, 2016 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 – *Adolescent Literacy Instruction & Intervention*. Agenda item number four (4) was postponed to the March meeting per request of Peter Diplock.
5. Agenda item number five (5) – New business, updates and announcements.
  - A new committee is being created to review selection criteria for membership in the Graduate Faculty Council.
  - An online training module for all grad students has been set up regarding interpersonal violence prevention.
  - Language for Post-Doc compensation is being investigated to create an acceptable policy.
  - The Behavioral History Committee is looking into how to give more time to the departments to determine whether a student should be reviewed for admission or not.
  - The cultural center directors are looking into updating the application for admission to reflect gender/race for the next admission cycle.
  - Discussion of changes to the Doctoral Student Travel Award continue. All in attendance suggested an increase in funds for the program. The criteria for the award was determined to be:
    - Student is the primary investigator
    - Award must be for a professional conference
    - Student should be a 3<sup>rd</sup> year student having completed 24 credits prior to application
    - Amount of the award will be \$750In addition, the EC may submit a proposal to the academic plan competition to support an “emerging scholars” award
6. 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 3:58 with 9 members present.
7. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 30, 2016 in the Giolas Conference Room.**