

Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 @ 3:05 pm to 4:16 pm

Location: Giolas Conference Room

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

Attendees: Richard Bass, Sylvain Deguise, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Jane Gordon, Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Etan Markus, Barbara Parziale (Ex Officio, Secretary), and Lynn Puddington

Absent: Victoria Blodgett (Ex Officio), Mitchell Green, 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 March 30, 2016 at 3:05 pm.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – Introductions of guests: Peter Diplock, Nicholas Gelbar and Allison Lombardi.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – Presented for consideration and voting – Approval of the minutes. Dean Kent Holsinger introduced the minutes of the February 24, 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 – *Special Education Transition to Adulthood*. Agenda item number four (4) was presented by Nicholas Gelbar, Allison Lombardi and Peter Diplock. After a brief discussion there was a motion offered which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number four (4) was passed without dissent by a show of hands.**
5. Agenda item number five (5) – New business, updates and announcements.
  - Richard Bass announced that he will be leaving as moderator of the GFC by the end of the spring semester 2016. He offered and Dean Holsinger accepted Richard’s offer to stay on as a member of the committee until the end of the fall semester.
  - The new committee looking at the graduate faculty status will be led by J.C. Beall. Representatives from the GFC will be Dan Adler and Steve Demurjian. Executive Committee members will be Maria-Luz Fernandez and Lynn Puddington.
  - Errata for a Doctoral Dissertation was defined as being:
    - A supplemental document to the Doctoral Dissertation.
    - It will be approved by the Major Advisor if still on staff or by the Dean of The Graduate School if the major advisor is no longer a staff member.
    - A statute of limitations was set at 10 years.
  - There is no likelihood of Work-Study funding for the summer this year.
  - The proposal for an expanded career professional development program to provide students and Post Doc’s with skills for the future was sent to the Provost’s Academic Plan Competition.
  - The Emerging Scholars proposal discussed at previous EC-GFC meetings was not sent to the Provost’s Academic Plan Competition because it needs revising. After a great deal of discussion the suggestion was made to organize a meeting with Jeff Seemann and Mun Choi to discuss the possibility of obtaining matching funds for research at the graduate level from the OVPR and the Provost’s office.
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 4:16 with 9 members present.
7. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 20, 2016 in the Giolas Conference Room.**