



Date: Wednesday, October 15, 2014 @ 3:04 pm to 3:47 pm

Location: Room 200 – Whetten Graduate Center

Subject: Graduate Faculty Council (GFC) Meeting Minutes Summary

Attendees: Kari Adamsons, Daniel Adler, Ivy Alexander, Janet Barnes-Farrell, Richard Bass, Victoria Blodgett, Andrew Bush, Patrick Butler, Jason Charrette, Zhiyi Chi, Steven Demurjian, Craig Denegar, Kimberly Dodge-Kafka, Mary Anne Doyle, Gerald Dunne, Valerie Duffy (alternate for Pouran Faghri), Maria-Luz Fernandez, Miguel Gomes, Mark Hamilton, Ashley Helton, Kent Holsinger, Kelly Jones, Barbara Kream, Charles Mahoney, George McManus, Lynn Puddington, Heather Read, Cristian Schulthess, Farhed Shah, Juliette Shellman (alternate for SON), Michael Smith, David Stern, Timothy Vadas, Kumar Venkitanarayana and Janet Watson.

Absent: Hector Aguila, Joanne Conover, Jane Anna Gordon, Mitch Green, Christopher Heinen, Thomas Kehle, Kenneth Noll, Gary Powell, Mark Robbins, Sue Saunders, Anji Seth, Tammie Spaulding, Megan Staples and Mark Urban.

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1. Agenda item number one (1) – *Call to order* by Kent Holsinger at 3:04.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – *Approval of minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2014* was introduced by Kent Holsinger. The item was moved, seconded, and **passed by voice vote without dissent.**
3. Agenda item number three (3) – *Report from Jason Charrette, President Graduate Student Senate*, was introduced by Kent Holsinger.
  - a. GA Payroll: There were several GAs who did not get their pay checks in a timely manner. Specifically, 15% received their payment a month late and 75% were paid by the first pay period. In Communications, the graduate students received their first pay check by taking out an interest free loan through GSS.
  - b. The GSS is in the process of becoming a member of a national association to assist in leadership services and professionalization in an academic forum that is student centered.
4. Agenda item number four (4) – *Presented for voting – Open Executive Committee Member Seat* – was present and Charles Mahoney was voted by his peers for the open seat.
5. Agenda item number five (5) – Report from Dean Kent Holsinger.
  - a. Kent reiterated the importance of getting the GA appointments in on time.
  - b. Kent reviewed the status of graduate faculty members (tenure and non-tenure) including retired/Emeritus, active service status and the procedures for faculty to continue with their current status. It was decided to have the Executive Committee review the current policy and procedures document at its October 29<sup>th</sup> meeting and for the GFC to review their recommendations at the November meeting.

6. The next meeting of the Graduate Faculty Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2014.
7. The meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm with 35 individuals in attendance.