



Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 @ 3:07 pm to 5:15 pm

Location: Giolas Conference Room

Subject: Executive Committee of The Graduate Faculty Council (Committee) Meeting Minutes Summary

Attendees: Richard Bass, Victoria Blodgett (Ex Officio), Sylvain Deguise, Jane Gordon, Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair), Kelly Jones, (Ex Officio, Secretary), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Joseph Loturco, Charles Mahoney, Etan Markus, Shayla Nunnally, Lynn Puddington and Janet Watson

Absent: Kelly Dennis

Guest: Judith Thorpe, Mark Aindow, Larry Renfro. March Lalande and Mike O'Neil

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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) – Introduction and welcome of elected member Charles Mahoney was announced by Kent Holsinger.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – *Approval of minutes of the meeting of April 30, 2014* was presented for voting by Kent Holsinger. The item was **passed by voice vote** after the change on agenda number 6.
4. Agenda item number four (4) – *Approval of minutes of the meeting of September 24, 2014* by Kent Holsinger. The item was **passed by voice vote** after the change to agenda number 10.
5. Agenda item number five (5) – *Ed Marth Award – Nominations due 31 October 2014* was announced by Kent Holsinger.
6. Agenda item number six (6) – *A proposal to change the two (2) year Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Visual Arts program into a three (3) year MFA Studio Art program* was presented for discussion by Judith Thorpe. After the discussion about the proposal, the agenda item was moved, seconded, and **passed by voice vote** and submitted for discussion at the November CoD meeting.
7. Agenda item number seven (7) – *A proposal to modify the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and Master of Science (M.S.) Programs in Materials Science* was presented for discussion by Mark Aindow. After the discussion about the proposal, the agenda item was moved, seconded, and **passed by voice vote** and submitted for discussion at the November CoD meeting.
8. Agenda item number eight (8) – *A certificate of PNB in Neuromonitoring* was presented for discussion by Larry Renfro. After the discussion about the proposal, the agenda item was moved, seconded, and **passed by voice vote** and submitted for discussion at the November CoD meeting.
9. Agenda item number nine (9) – *A proposal for an academic degree program Doctorate in Systems Genomics* was presented for discussion by Marc Lalande and Mike O'Neil. After the discussion about the proposal, the agenda item was moved, seconded, and **passed after the discussed changes are made**. The agenda item was submitted for discussion at the November CoD meeting after the modifications were made.
10. Agenda item number ten (10) – *Request for travel on Doctoral Student Travel Funds* was **postponed until the November 19, 2014 meeting**.
11. Agenda item number eleven (11) – *Discussion on Save Graduate Education* was **postponed until the November 19, 2014 meeting**.

12. Agenda item number twelve (12) – New Business, Updates and Announcements was **postponed until the November 19, 2014 meeting.**
13. The next meeting of the Graduate Faculty Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 19, 2014.**
14. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm with 12 members and 5 guests in attendance.