

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 @ 3:09 pm to 4:34 pm

Location: Giolas Conference Room

Subject: Executive Committee of the Graduate Faculty Council Meeting Minutes Summary

Attendees: Richard Bass, Sylvain Deguise, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair) Kelly Jones (Ex Officio, Secretary), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Joseph Loturco, and Lynn Puddington

Absent: Victoria Blodgett (Ex Officio), Jane Gordon, Mitchell Green, Charles Mahoney and Etan Markus

1. Agenda item number one (1) – *Call to order* was announced at 3:09 by Dean Kent Holsinger.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – Dean Holsinger welcomed newly elected member Maria-Luz Fernandez, re-elected member Joseph Loturco, and appointed members Richard Bass and Mitchell Green. Each appointment carries a 3 year term.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – Introductions of guests were made: Ivy Alexander, Caroline Dealy, Chinmay Ghosh, William Snyder, David Gregorio, and Anne D’Alleva.
4. Agenda item number four (4) – Presented for consideration by Ivy Alexander – (Modified) *Approval for changing courses to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory*. After a brief discussion, Sylvain offered a motion, which was seconded by Richard 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 by Caroline Dealy – *Name Change from Skeletal, Craniofacial and Oral Biology to Skeletal Biology and Regeneration*. After a brief discussion, Joseph offered a motion which was seconded by Sylvain 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 by Chinmay Ghosh – (New Certificate) *Graduate Certificate Program in Global Risk Management*. After discussion, Richard offered a motion, which was seconded by Sylvain and the course content was approved in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number six (6) was passed without dissent on a voice vote pending course number review by Dean Holsinger and Terra Zuidema for audit purposes.**
7. Agenda item number seven (7) – Presented for consideration by William Snyder – (New Certificate) *Graduate Certificate Program in the Neurobiology of Language*. After discussion, Maria offered a motion, which was seconded by Joseph and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number seven (7) was passed without dissent on a voice vote pending Dean Holsinger reviewing the dates of graduation as well as the number of transferring credits with the department.**
8. Agenda item number eight (8) – Presented by David Gregorio – (Modified) *“Fast Track” (4+1 BA/BS + Masters of Public Health) Public Health Option for UConn Undergraduates*. After a brief discussion, Lynn offered a motion, which was seconded by Maria and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number eight (8) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
9. Agenda item number nine (9) – Presented by Anne D’Alleva – (New) *MFA in Arts Administration*. After a brief discussion, Richard offered a motion, which was seconded by Sylvain and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number nine (9) was passed without dissent on a voice vote.**
10. Agenda item number ten (10) – Presented for discussion – Electronic only thesis and dissertations was announced by Dean Holsinger who stated that Betsy Pittman, Achieves and Special Collections, suggested that paper copies of thesis and/or dissertations are no longer needed as the digital commons copy is satisfactory. After a brief discussion, agenda item number ten (10) will be discussed with the Graduate Faculty Council.

11. Agenda item number eleven (11) – New Business, Updates and Announcements. There was no new business, updates or announcements to discuss.
12. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 28, 2015**.
13. Dean Holsinger offered a motion to adjourn at 4:34 pm, which was seconded by Richard. The meeting adjourned with 9 members and 6 guests in attendance.