



Date: Wednesday, November 19, 2014 @ 3:07 pm to 4:42 pm

Location: Giolas Conference Room

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

Attendees: Richard Bass, Victoria Blodgett (Ex Officio), Kent Holsinger (Ex Officio, Chair), Kelly Jones, (Ex Officio, Secretary), Barbara Kream (Ex Officio), Joseph Loturco, Charles Mahoney, Lynn Puddington and Janet Watson

Absent: Sylvain Deguise, Kelly Dennis, Jane Gordon, Etan Markus and Shayla Nunnally

Guest: Sandy Bellini, Thomas Van Hoof and Peter Diplock

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1. Agenda item number one (1) – *Call to order* at 3:07 by Kent Holsinger.
2. Agenda item number two (2) – Presented for consideration and voting – *Approval of the minutes from the October 29, 2014 meeting* was presented for voting by Kent Holsinger. The agenda item passed by voice vote after the addition of Charles Mahoney to the attendee list and the deletion of the word “brief” before each discussion.
3. Agenda item number three (3) – Presented for consideration and voting – *GFC Moderator* was presented for voting by Kent Holsinger. Richard Bass was nominated for GFC Moderator and Sylvain Deguise was nominated as Alternate GFC Moderator. **The agenda item was moved, seconded and passed by voice vote.**
4. Agenda item number four (4) – Presented for discussion – *Degree proposal in M.S. in Sustainable Economic Development: Agricultural and Resource Economics (ARE)* was **postponed until the December meeting.**
5. Agenda item number five (5) – Presented for discussion – *Modifications to the Master of Nursing Concentration in Advanced Neonatal Nursing Practice – School of Nursing* was presented for discussion by Sandy Bellini. The agenda item was **moved, seconded and passed by voice vote contingent on the School of Nursing providing the Council of Deans and the Board of Trustees the additional information about the proposed change as discussed in the meeting.**
6. Agenda item number six (6) – Presented for discussion – *Certificate in Health Professions Education – School of Nursing* was present for discussion by Thomas Van Hoof. The agenda item was **postponed contingent on the School of Nursing providing additional justification.**
7. Agenda item number seven (7) – Presented for discussion – *Certificate polices and standards* was presented for discussion by Kent Holsinger. The agenda item was **postponed until the December meeting.**
8. Agenda item number eight (8) – Presented for discussion – *Request for travel on Doctoral Student Travel Funds* was presented for discussion by Kent Holsinger. The agenda item will be **presented at the December meeting for additional discussion.**
9. Agenda item number nine (9) – Presented for discussion – *Protocol for appointing emeritus faculty as advisors* was presented for discussion by Kent Holsinger. The agenda item policy will remain as is for now and the emeritus faculty member will be required to submit a letter of justification to the Dean with endorsement from the department head.
10. Agenda item number ten (10) – Presented for discussion – *Graduate Faculty Status* was presented for discussion by Kent Holsinger. The agenda item will be **presented at the December meeting for voting on new protocol language.**

11. Agenda item number eleven (11) – Discussion on Save Graduate Education was **postponed until the December meeting.**
12. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for **Friday, December 12, 2014.**
13. The meeting adjourned at 4:42 with 9 members and 3 guests in attendance.