

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: January 19, 2001

Whetten Graduate Center - Giolas Conference Room
2:15 P.M.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:20 P.M. Interim Vice Provost Ian C. Hart presided.
2. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the minutes of the 11-30-2000 meeting.
3. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the list of Plans of Study and Dissertation Proposals.
4. A proposal from the School of Social Work to implement a Doctor of Philosophy degree program in the existing Field of Study of Social Work was considered. J. Henkel explained the major components of the proposal and provided background. There was discussion concerning the following:
 - Demand for the program
 - Required course work (e.g., new courses, availability of suitable existing courses at Storrs, etc.)
 - Role of Ph.D. students in the M.S.W. program
 - Need for letters of support from related academic departments (e.g., Sociology, Political Science, Psychology, Educational Psychology)
 - Knowledge-base of the proposed program
 - Funding and resource issues
 - Faculty teaching loads
 - Likely employment opportunities for program graduates

J. Henkel agreed to communicate with the School of Social Work concerning suggestions for revision. A revised proposal will be considered at a subsequent meeting.

5. G. Epling introduced for consideration and discussion a proposal to offer at Avery Point/Groton a course-work-only (i.e., Plan B) Master of Science degree program in the field of Chemistry. (Epling was not present during the discussion or for the vote). It was noted that several faculty members are willing to participate and that the proposal should emphasize that there is a high demand for such a program in Avery Point/Groton due to local industry. It also was noted that some funding issues may need to be

resolved

It was moved (G. Anderson), seconded (C. Maresh), and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the offering of a Plan B Master of Science degree program in Chemistry at Avery Point/Groton.

6. G. Anderson, University Senate Liaison, reported.
7. Future availability of suitable campus accommodations for longer-term visiting scholars was discussed briefly. I. Hart agreed to look into the matter further.
8. Meetings of the Graduate Faculty Council called to date include (all meetings at 3:00 P.M. in room 200 of the Graduate Center):

January 31st - Executive Committee election and a report on UConn 2000 by Vice Chancellor

Fred Maryanski

February 28th - A presentation on graduate student housing by Vicky Triponey, Vice Chancellor

for Student Affairs, and Carole Henry, Executive Director of Residential Life

March 28th - PeopleSoft demonstration by J. Henkel.

9. I. Hart recognized G. Epling, J. Marsden, and L. Strausbaugh for their effective service to the Committee.
Each has completed a three-year term.
10. J. Henkel presented for consideration a proposal to implement a new zero-credit Graduate School course:
GRAD 330 - Graduate Assistantship. Any graduate student holding a graduate assistantship in a particular semester would be required to register for this course.

It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the course.

11. I. Hart provided updates concerning the consultant's visit being planned by the Chancellor and the work of the Research Support Committee.
12. A recommendation made at a previous meeting - forming a task force to explore the implications for the Graduate School of the implementation of the new General Education requirements - was raised for further discussion. It was agreed that the task force should be formed. G. Epling, D. Herzberger, J. Marsden, and E. Pagoulatos volunteered to serve. It was suggested that additional members (perhaps two) be sought at the January 31st GFC meeting and that representation from the University Senate Scholastic Standards Committee might also be appropriate.

13. Adjournment was at 4:18 PM.

Present:

- Anderson, G.
- Epling, G.
- Hart, I. (Interim Vice Provost)
- Henkel, J. (Associate Vice Provost)
- Herzberger, D.
- Maresh, C.
- Marsden, J.
- Maxwell, G. (Associate Dean)
- Pagoulatos, E.
- Peters, T. (Assistant Dean)

Regrets:

- Carmichael, G.
- Faghri, P.
- Strausbaugh, L.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Peters
Secretary