

**The University of Akron
Minutes of Graduate Council
January 28, 2008**

The Graduate Council met on Monday, January 28, 2008, in the Student Union, Room 314. G. Newkome presided. Present were M. Tausig, A. Akhigbe, J. Cheh, M. Hoo Fatt, L. Ju, K. Kern, H. Li, F. Moore, H. Nunn, J. Queener, D. Reneker, A. Snell, M. Triage, and K. Tusaie.

Absent with notice: K. English

Absent: A. Leigh

Call to Order

G. Newkome called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Attendance recorded by sign-in sheet.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 26, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

Comments

Graduate Student Government research grants available. Deadline for application is February 15.

Abstracts for the Conference on Undergraduate and Graduate Student Research due February 8.

Graduate student headcount and credit hour production is up for the spring semester.

Committee Reports

Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – H. Nunn presented a log of 18 graduate faculty applications that were reviewed by the committee. Seventeen of the applications were approved. One application was referred back to the department for clarification. Council unanimously approved the log as presented.

Karin Jordan	James R. Rogers	John E. Queener	Paul J. Hartung
Jessica M. Hopkins	Stephanie Lopina	Lu-Kwang Ju	Edward Evans
Guo-Xiang Wang	Richard Glotzer	Sadhan C. Jana	Kyonsuku Min Cakmak
Chang Dae Han	Ramona Ortega	Jon M. Hawes	Constance Bouchard
Elizabeth Mancke			

H. Nunn distributed proposed revisions to the rule governing Ad Hoc Temporary graduate faculty appointment. Council approved the revisions as presented (one nay vote; one abstention).

Motion made to permit M. Tausig to interpret “other” as non-full-time faculty. Council approved this motion (one nay vote).

Curriculum Committee – No report. Committee is reviewing proposals and will be meeting on January 29.

Student Policy Committee – J. Cheh distributed a copy of the Bologna Process policy development. It was recommended that discussion with the academic departments take place to gather some feedback related to this issue.

Old Business

None reported.

New Business

G. Newkome mentioned that he has recommended that graduate assistant stipends be increased for the coming year. A 2% increase was granted last year but so late that it could not be applied to incoming students. The increase will not be across the board.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Kern
Vice Chair