

**The University of Akron  
Minutes of Graduate Council  
October 22, 2007**

The Graduate Council met on Monday, October 22, 2007, in the Student Union, Room 314. G. Newkome presided. Present were M. Tausig, H. Blake, A. Akhigbe, J. Cheh, K. English, K. Kern, A. Leigh, H. Li, F. Moore, H. Nunn, J. Queener, T. Srivatsan, and K. Tusaie.

Absent with notice: L. Ju, D. Reneker, and M. Triage

Absent: A. Snell

**Call to Order**

G. Newkome called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Roll Call**

H. Blake recorded the attendance of all Graduate Council members present.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the September 24, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Comments**

M. Tausig stated that he is continuing to award money to academic departments to assist in the recruitment of underrepresented students. The sum of the money offered is approximately \$500.

M. Tausig is currently working with Graduate Student Government to draft a document for a research grant that would provide funding for graduate students' thesis and dissertation research.

A. Leigh reported that the first meeting of Graduate Student Government was held earlier this month and all committees were filled. Approximately 30 people were in attendance. A canned food drive is planned for the Thanksgiving holiday, and a lecture series is being planned for the spring semester. The next GSG meeting will be November 4.

**Committee Reports**

Student Policy Committee – No report.

Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – H. Nunn presented a log of six graduate faculty applications that were reviewed by the committee. Four of the applications were approved for the category requested, one application was referred back to the applicant for clarification on the vita citations, and one application was presented to Council members for review. Upon review of the application in question it was suggested that the applicant be contacted for further information on his status of his final dissertation submission and impending degree conferral. Council unanimously approved the log as presented.

Ralph Hummel                      Thomas Calderon                      Michalene A. King                      Marguerite A. DiMarco

H. Nunn presented a draft revision of the procedures governing *Ad Hoc* Temporary graduate faculty status. Council reviewed the suggested revisions and asked the committee to further revise, specifying what, if any, latitude would be given for a full-time graduate faculty member applying for such status.

Curriculum Committee – No report. Two proposals were received; however, they were incomplete and had to be returned to the academic department for correction.

**Old Business**

H. Li stated that she will continue to gather data related to the resolution she and F. Broadway proposed last spring semester.

**New Business**

None reported.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina English  
Secretary