

The University of Akron
Minutes of Graduate Council
February 27, 2012

The Graduate Council met on Monday, February 27, 2012, in the Student Union, Room 314. Present were P. Allen, G. Bordo, G. Chase, R. Erickson, J. Goodell, X. Liang, R. Londrville, N. Reddy, L. Smolen, M. Soucek, P. Srivastava, and E. Wasserman.

Guests in attendance: H. Blake, L. Chyi, J. Goerke, M. Huff, and M. Tausig

GC Members Absent with Notice: S. Chiu and G. Newkome

GC Members Absent: T. Hallett

Call to Order

R. Erickson called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll Call

H. Blake recorded the attendance of those present.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 23, 2012 meeting were approved.

Comments

M. Tausig shared the following information with Graduate Council members:

- Call for interdisciplinary collaborations to stimulate research groups to put into motion interdisciplinary research in relation to Vision 2020.
- The University is undertaking two efforts which are the generic recruiting of students and getting students to enroll over the summer. Neither of these efforts relate to graduate students. The University's resources are funneled into recruitment and retention of undergraduate students. There are no resources to support graduate student recruitment, thus there exists no systematic recruitment of graduate students.

Discussion arose regarding such late notice of the graduate assistantship budget each year. Council members indicated that it is difficult to secure the best students when an offer cannot be extended to them in a timely manner. Many choose to go to other institutions as a result. Additionally, Council members noted that stipends at The University of Akron are not competitive with other institutions.

Committee Reports and Referrals

Student Policy Committee – R. Erickson reported that the committee reviewed the current policy in place for outside members of a dissertation committee at the request of M. Tausig. The consensus among the committee was that the policy is fine as it is. There appears to be no immediate need to revise it.

Curriculum Committee – X. Liang presented a log of 86 proposals as reviewed and approved by the committee. Approved by Council.

A&S-CHEM-11-0734	A&S-ARTSCO-11-0489	BUS-MANGT-11-1663	BUS-MARKET-11-1607
BUS-MARKET-11-1608	BUS-MARKET-11-1665	BUS-MARKET-11-1667	EDUC-SPORTSCI-11-1183
EDUC-SPORTSCI-11-1118	EDUC-SPORTSCI-11-1185	EDUC-SPORTSCI-11-0973	EDUC-COUNS-11-0837
EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1007	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1011	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1129	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1130
EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1121	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1122	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1123	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1128
EDUC-EDFOUND-11-1141	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-0980	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-0981	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-0901
EDUC-COUNS-11-0834	EDUC-COUNS-11-0835	EDUC-COUNS-11-0836	EDUC-COUNS-11-0838

EDUC-COUNS-11-0842	EDUC-COUNS-11-0839	EDUC-COUNS-11-0843	EDUC-COUNS-11-0685
BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0915	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0921	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0909	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0917
BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0916	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0908	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0914	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0913
BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0910	BUS-ACCOUNT-11-1222	BUS-MANGT-11-1550	BUS-MANGT-11-1575
BUS-MANGT-11-1555	BUS-MANGT-11-1583	BUS-MANGT-11-1578	BUS-MANGT-11-1589
BUS-MANGT-11-1586	BUS-MANGT-111592	BUS-MANGT-11-1595	BUS-MANGT-11-1598
BUS-MANGT-11-1652	BUS-MANGT-11-1599	BUS-MANGT-11-1645	BUS-MANGT-11-1660
BUS-MANGT-11-1646	BUS-MANGT-11-1664	BUS-MANGT-11-1655	EDUC-EDFOUND-11-0885
BUS-MANGT-11-1527	BUS-MANGT-11-1544	BUS-MANGT-11-1547	EDUC-COUNS-11-0556
A&S-ENGL-11-0727	A&S-ENGL-11-0996	A&S-ENGL-11-0990	A&S-ENGL-11-0994
A&S-ENGL-11-0998	A&S-ENGL-11-0992	A&S-ENGL-11-1000	A&S-ENGL-11-1002
A&S-ENGL-11-1004	A&S-COMPSCI-11-1450	HSHS-SOCIAL-11-1146	HSHS-SOCIAL-11-1164
HSHS-SOCIAL-11-1452	HSHS-SOCIAL-11-1453	CPA-COMMUN-11-1362	BUS-BUSDEAN-11-1013
BUS-BUSDEAN-11-1135	BUS-BUSDEAN-11-1136	BUS-BUSDEAN-11-1137	BUS-MANGT-11-1527
BUS-MANGT-11-1544	BUS-MANGT-11-1547		

Graduate Faculty Committee – P. Allen presented a log of 13 graduate faculty applications as reviewed and approved by the committee. Approved by Council.

Michael Shott	Kristina M. English	Mona L. Klingler	Sharon A. Lesner
Bi-min Zhang Newby	Jie Zheng	Douglas R. Kahl	Ruth A. Oswald
Avraam I. Isayev	Chrys Wesdemiotis	Travis M.R. Hreno	John Huss
Eric Sotnak			

Old Business

M. Tausig distributed proposed amendments to the University Rule 3359-24-01 *Bylaws of the Graduate Faculty*. The revisions reflect the changes in the colleges, the College of Creative and Professional Arts merging with the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Health Sciences and Human Services merging with the College of Nursing.

P. Allen made a motion to approve the proposed changes. R. Londrville seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

M. Tausig indicated that these proposed changes will now go before the graduate faculty at the annual meeting in April.

New Business

None.

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy Bordo
Secretary