

The University of Akron
Minutes of Graduate Council
March 17, 2014

The Graduate Council met on Monday, March 17, 2014, in the Student Union, Room 314. G. Newkome presided. Present were M. Blewitt, G. Chase, S. Chiu, J. Goodell, X. Liang, F. Loth, N. Makki, F. Moore, H. Sterns, E. Wasserman, R. Willits, and B. Zhao.

Guests in attendance: H. Blake and M. Tausig

GC Members Absent with Notice: E. Makarius and P. Thomson

GC Members Absent: M. Graham, A. Joy, and J. Spiker

Call to Order

G. Newkome 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 February 24, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

Comments

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

- Faculty Senate is currently reviewing recommendations for program suspensions and need to vote on such recommendations by April 4. No idea on how this is progressing with regard to the graduate programs that have been recommended for suspension.
- Graduate School sent emails to all applicants (35) that applied to programs currently under consideration for suspension, providing these student options related to their applications. Twenty-seven of the 35 applicants are international students.
- Per the Provost undergraduate students who have applied to programs up for suspension are currently being notified.
- Diversity assistantships have been awarded. This year the Graduate School is picking up the entire cost of the assistantship, supporting slightly fewer students. These diversity assistantships are independent of what departments are doing on their own.

Committee Reports and Referrals

Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – F. Moore presented a log of 23 graduate faculty applications as reviewed and approved by the committee. Approved by Council.

Joseph P. Livecchi	Timothy Lillie	Terry Daughterty	Donald W. Ott
Robert Joel Duff	Peter Lavrentyev	Brian Bagatto	Sheau-Huey Chiu
Carolyn J. Murrock	Mary E. Triage	Julia A. Spiker	Heather L. Walter
Young (Yang) Lin	Janette Dill	Robert L. Peralta	Juan Xi
Rudy Fenwick	Gerald W. Young	Timothy S. Norfolk	David N. Steer
Yang H. Yun	Alamgir Karim	Mukerrem Cakmak	

Student Policy Committee – No report.

Curriculum Committee – A log all proposals approved by the committee since the last Council meeting was distributed to Graduate Council. These proposals include: A&S-ECON-13-8603, A&S-HIST-13-6700,

A&S-SOCIO-13-7430, BUS-ACCOUNT-11-0913, BUS-FINAN-14-9269, EDUC-CURR-12-4102, EDUC-CURR-12-4232, and EDUC-EDFOUND-13-8049.

Old Business

None

New Business

M. Blewitt shared with Council Members that Graduate Student Government elections are currently underway. She asked that everyone encourage their graduate students to vote.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Wasserman
Secretary