

**The University of Akron
Minutes of Graduate Council
March 16, 2015**

The Graduate Council met on Monday, March 16, 2015, in Student Union, Room 314. R. Ramsier presided. Present were A. Booher, J. Goodell, M. Graham, Q. Jensrud, F. Moore, J. Spiker, H. Sterns, P. Thomson, R. Willits, and B. Zhao.

Guests in attendance: H. Blake and M. Tausig

GC Members Absent with Notice: N. Makki, R. Otterstetter, and J. Puskas

GC Members Absent: P. Allen, A. Joy, I. Schwarber, and A. Thomas

Call to Order

R. Ramsier called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Roll Call

H. Blake recorded the attendance of those present.

Approval of Minutes

Q. Jensrud made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2015 meeting.

J. Spiker seconded the motion.

Minutes of the February 23 meeting were approved without dissent.

Committee Reports and Referrals

Curriculum Committee – Nine proposals were reviewed and approved by the committee: A&S-ECON-15-13040, A&S-ECON-15-13041, A&S-STATS-14-9229, EDUC-EDFOUND-14-9201, EDUC-EDFOUND-14-9202, EDUC-EDFOUND-14-12002, EDUC-EDFOUND-14-12003, EDUC-EDFOUND-14-12004, and EDUC-EDFOUND-14-12007. Approved by Council.

Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – F. Moore referred to the log of six graduate faculty applications as reviewed by the committee. The committee found no issues with any of the applications and rendered unanimous approval. Approved by Council.

Stephen Harp A. Martin Wainwright Aigbe Akhigbe Harridutt Ramcharran Abhilash Chandy
Gaurav Mittal

Student Policy Committee – R. Willits presented changes to University Rule 3359-60-06.2 Graduate Student Standards that incorporate the current practices related to English Language proficiency as outline in the Graduate Bulletin. Approved by Council.

Ad Hoc Committee – F. Moore referred to the talking points drafted by the committee that identify relevant matters related to graduate education that should be presented to the President. Graduate Council members discussed these items, identifying those that seem most important. F. Moore will take this information back to the committee for discussion and revision.

R. Willits shared with Council members a synopsis of what was discussed at the second Vision 2020 Summit meeting held February 27.

M. Tausig mentioned that with Sport Science and Wellness Education and Counseling moving from the College of Education to the College of Health Professions distribution of the college representatives to Graduate Council should be realigned. Should one of the College of Education representatives move to the College of Health Professions?

R. Ramsier indicated it would be important to look at the number of graduate faculty members in each college, and in Arts and Sciences the number by division.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Graham
Secretary