Minutes of Graduate Council Meeting

The Graduate Council met on Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. in Devlin Hall 2nd floor conference room.


I. Approve Minutes of September 6, 2007 meeting
Minutes of the September 6, 2007 meeting were approved as distributed.

II. Announcements
a. Dean Kovar announced that Provost Gary Miller will visit with Council at their next meeting, October 4th.

b. Dean Kovar noted that the Doctor of Nursing Practice proposal is in its second reading for approval through the KBOR.

III. Old Business
a. Dean Kovar noted that Fuchang Liu is continuing for a third term as Council Rep to the Senate Library Committee, and will visit with Council at Feb. 7th meeting regarding any notable information from his service on the committee.

b. Dean Kovar indicated that progress on University-wide priorities has been made per the handout indicating steps taken on various initiatives.

c. Certificate Proposals:
   • Council members were previously emailed the revised Nonprofit Management Certificate proposal and discussion continued. The certificate was approved by Council contingent on arrival of support letters to Dean Kovar from the director and the dean.
   • Dean Kovar is still waiting for additional information before processing the approved graduate certificate in Enterprise Systems and Supply Chain Management.

IV. New Business
a. Graduate Curriculum
   • Accelerated BS/MS Program in IMFGE. Krishna Krishnan joined Council to present the program and answer questions from Council. Council voted and approved the program with the stipulation that a statement be included regarding regulations for students who are accepted into the accelerated program but then wish to be accepted into the regular MS program. That statement is to be developed in concert with Dean Kovar.

   b. Alternative Formats for theses and dissertations
   Council members began discussion of alternative format options for thesis and dissertations. Dean Kovar asked that members discuss this issue with their faculty groups and bring back information for further discussion at a future meeting.

V. As May Arise
a. Dean Kovar noted the date for the 2007 Commencement, and Hooding Ceremony is on Sunday, December 16, rather than the December 9 published date. Council members will again be asked to serve as room hosts at Hooding.

b. The Dean noted the October 18 and March 20 Council meetings are canceled as they are during fall and spring break. In addition, November 29th is being added to the fall Council schedule for KBOR Program Review.

c. Associate Dean Eichhorn announced the deadline for the Fall 07 Graduate School Awards (Anderson, Camien, Tilford, Dora Wallace Hodgson, and Delano Maggard Research Grant) is Monday, October 1. Additionally, he noted Graduate Faculty will receive the GRASP (Graduate Research and Scholarly Projects) flyer next week via campus mail.

Adjourned 4:30 p.m.