



Graduate Council  
Minutes—May 11, 2017, 2:00 p.m.  
Academic Affairs Conference Room WAB 239

Members Present: Leyla Zhuhadar, Kirk Atkinson, Steve Wells, Kristin Wilson, Cathleen Webb (for Chris Groves), Carl Dick, Lance Hahn, Thea Browder (for Eric Reed), Shannon Vaughan, Gavin Kirkwood, Eve Main, Laurie Branstetter, Amy Cappiccie, Andrew Rosa, Molly Kerby, Ron Mitchell, Scott Lyons, Marilyn Gardner.

Members Absent: Kyle Wellendorff, Carl Myers, Marge Maxwell, Brittany McNear, Chris Groves, Carla Beu, Eric Reed, Wes Berry, Mary Sanders, Kamla Jones, Abhishek Bose.

Guests: Tiffany Robinson, Sylvia Gaiko, Scott Gordon, Colette Chelf

1. Call to Order
2. Consideration of April 6, 2017 minutes  
\*Atkinson/Kerby motion to approve; passed.
3. Committee Reports
  - a. Curriculum Committee (Report included as Attachment 1)  
\*Atkinson, motion to approve consent agenda; Wilson withdrew Executive Leadership Coaching certificate at request of proponent, Dr. Desander; Mitchell clarified withdrawal of proposal due to ongoing discussions between Organizational Leadership faculty and EALR faculty regarding certificate coursework; consent agenda passed.  
\*Atkinson, motion to approve course revisions PS 541 and PS 542 (action items); passed.
  - b. Policy Committee  
\*Wilson, reported that the committee met to discuss graduate admission standards; Mitchell will meet with Graduate School staff (Chelf) to discuss revisions and draft a proposal for council to consider in the fall term.
  - c. Student Research Grants Committee (Report included as Attachment 2)  
\*Hahn, motion to approve report; passed.  
\*Discussion of proposed process changes on the report; new research committee will consider these changes for implementation in the fall term.  
\*Discussion of potential for research grants to pay external IRB fees.
4. Report from Dean of the Graduate School  
\*Lyons reported OGS dinner tonight; intent to modernize Graduate School processing

via technology (e.g. Courseleaf, new admission application and CRM).  
\*Chelf reported on Graduate Records projects and fall implementations.

- a. Graduate Faculty (Report Included as Attachment 3)  
\*Atkinson/Wilson motion to approve; passed.
5. Public Comments
- \*Vaughan called for nominations for election of 2017-18 Vice Chair (Elect); Atkinson nominated Carl Dick, Wells second; no further nominations; Hahn motion to approve by acclamation; passed.
  - \*Vaughan noted that Provost was working on establishing an administrative support position to be shared by Senate, Graduate Council, and UCC; position would be in the Provost's office.
  - \*Hahn, questioned possible increase in travel funds for 2017-18; Lyons indicated increase was likely.
  - \*Dick, questioned if travel grant appropriations could be rolling instead of quarterly; Lyons, monthly appropriations can be established.
6. Announcements & Adjourn
- \*Wells/Hahn motion to adjourn.