

## Graduate Council Minutes —Thursday, December 5, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Academic Affairs Conference Room WAB 227

Members Present: Kenneth Payne, Alex Lebedinsky, Helen Liang, Ray Blankenship, Casey McKinney, Sarah E. Ochs, Aaron Hughey, Jessica Johnson, Dominic Lanphier, Diane Marie Lickenbrock, Carl Dick, Katie M. Wheeler, Ann Ferrell, Marko Dumancic, Cheryl Hopson, Mary Madison Lyons, Richard Dressler, Adam West, Haley B. Wheeler, Emily Anne Pride

Members Absent: Martha Day, Scott Arnett, Cheryl Davis,

Guests: Cathleen Webb, Rheanna Plemons, Jennifer Hammonds, Jordan Ray, Danita Kelley, Merrall Price, Scott Gordon, Laura Burchfield

- 1. Call to Order \*Ferrell
- 2. Consideration of November 14, 2019 minutes (Appendix A, including Dean's report)
- \*Dressler/Dick; approved
- 3. Committee Reports
  - a. Graduate Council Executive Committee \*No report
  - b. Policy Committee: \*No report
  - c. Research Committee: Dominic Langhier (Appendix B)
  - \*Lickenbrock reported that there were seven proposals this round. The Research Committee allocated \$19,221 for those requests. She moved to approve the Research Committee report.
  - d. Curriculum Committee: Martha Day (Appendix C)
  - \*Hughey moved to approve the Curriculum Committee report.
  - \*Discussion ensued regarding if a proposal representative should be a suggestion vs a policy.
  - \*Dick/Lebedinsky made a friendly amendment to strike "rejected" from the statement; approved.
  - \*The Curriculum Committee report is approved with the friendly amendment.
- 4. Report from Dean of the Graduate School
- \*Ferrell announced the Dean's Report (Dean Davis was unable to attend).
- \*Comprehensive exam/Capstone Completion for Degree seeking students must be submitted to the Graduate School no later than December 17, 2019. Change of grade forms for any In Progress courses should also be completed by this date.

## 5. Public Comments

- \*Dressler inquired if there was an update on the job search. \*Ferrell mentioned the suggested application deadline is in early February.
- \*Dick asked the Graduate Council to consider what makes a graduate faculty member.
- 6. Announcements & Adjourn \*Dumancic/Dick; adjourned

<sup>\*</sup>We will be accepting Travel Grant Proposals for Spring 2020. The next Travel Grant application deadline is February 19, 2020.

<sup>\*</sup>The Graduate Assistant Teaching Institute (GATI) training is scheduled for Spring 2020.