

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING  
Academic Senate Operating Committee  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2011

HENSLER AUDITORIUM

PRESENT: Curtis Smeby, LD Graduate Program; Barbara Zuck, at-large representative of College of Technical Sciences; Jaakko Puisto, at-large representative of College of Education, Arts & Sciences, Nursing; Darlene Sellers, CE Graduate Program and Larry Strizich, Chair of College of Technical Sciences.

ABSENT: Norton Pease, Chair of College of Education, Arts & Sciences, Nursing

The meeting was called to order by Darlene Sellers.

Ex-Officio non-voting members:

The Graduate Council Procedures, Academic Senate Operating Committee will list the Ex-Officio non-voting members as Dean of College of Technical Sciences, Dean of College of Educations, Arts & Sciences and Nursing and the Dean of Extended Services.

Select Chair/Vice Chair of Graduate Council:

Larry Strizich moved, Curtis Smeby seconded and it was passed that Darlene Sellers will be Chair.

Darlene asked for volunteers to be Vice Chair, Curtis Smeby volunteered, Jaakko Puisto moved and it was passed.

Meeting times

The committee will meet on alternating Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. beginning March 9<sup>th</sup>. The committee has not met for 3 years so once the items needed for catalog changes are completed, meeting dates will be discussed again.

Graduate Studies Policies and Procedures

Darlene will make the corrections to the submitted procedures, correctly stating the ex-officio members; she will submit a proposal to the senate for a change in the bylaws.

According to communication from both the Chancellor and the Provost, Graduate Studies is no longer under the Provost on the organization chart but has been re-united in the College of Education, Arts & Sciences, and Nursing within the education "area."

Graduate Studies Handbook

The Handbook has been approved by PEU and the COEASN. Larry Strizich moved, Jaakko Puisto seconded and it was passed as approved.

Program Changes

The Counselor Education program/course changes proposals were to comply with the Board of Regents instructions to renumber the Graduate Level Courses to 500 series. Darlene Sellers and John Foley also made revisions to course descriptions and course objectives.

Curtis said the *Learning Development Program Changes* have been approved by PEU and are at the college level for approval.

Larry Strizich moved, Jaakko Puisto seconded and Academic Senate Proposals 10-09 and 10-10 were unanimously approved.

There was discussion about revisions to the senate tracking sheet; any changes must go through the senate. With these two proposal tracking sheets, the chair dated and signed the tracking sheet on a line for “return to ACAD.”

Review of candidates for Graduation 2010-11

The list of Counselor Education candidates graduating in May was presented. Larry Strizich moved, Curtis Smeby seconded and the list was approved.

Curtis Smeby presented information regarding LD graduate students, like coaches, who may be considered as “graduate assistants.” When the LD degree suspended the Performance Learning Systems’ proprietary coursework delivered in the master’s degree (around 2001), the 12 credits of “selectives” were expanded to include a selection of courses decided between the graduate student and his/her program advisor. Using several endorsable minors in education offering courses at the 500 level, such as K-12 reading, HPE, K-12 principal leadership, together with other opportunities for graduate student to “customize” these selectives to meet their professional/career needs, the Learning Development Masters has been flexible in meeting the needs of graduate students who are members of the Havre cohorts.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Submitted by  
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