

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
Graduate Council Minutes
February 2, 2011

Members Present: Dorsey, Hossain, James, Jennings, Kim, Kuralt, Lanza, Liles, Mirivel, Moak, Nolen, Pierce, Seigar, Turturro, Wood, Yoshigoe

Members Absent: Bauer, Briscoe, Cantrell, Dearman, McAlpine, Sweeney, Zacher

Others Members Present: Brooks, Miller Lewis, Pellicane

Meeting started @3:05pm

Minutes of the January 19, 2011 meeting approved

Report of Curriculum Committee:

College of Professional Studies

(11-1000) SOWK Post Masters MFT Cert. Program Change (*Approved*)

College of Science and Mathematics

(10-6066) MATH 7330 Theory of Finite Element Methods New Course (tabled)

Donaghey College of Engineering & Information Technology

SYEN PhD in Engineering Science & System New Program

Dr. Kuralt mentioned that this program was not voted on, but will be presented back to the Curriculum Committee in two weeks. If any council members would like a copy of the draft she could provide one. Dr. Bhattacharyya and Dr. Mohan are looking for any suggestions from graduate council members because they have to present this new program before ADHE on a very tight schedule.

Report of Personnel Committee:

AFFILIATE

Beatrice A. Boateng, Ph.D. Adjunct Instructor of LSTE, currently at UALR COE

Carolyn S. Harris, Ph.D. Adjunct Faculty, currently at UALR COE

FULL

Christina C. Standerfer Associate Professor, currently at Clinton School CPS

Dr. Pierce represented for Dr. Dearman. All personnel approved. Dr. Moak asked if the personnel committee was going to consider revising the forms. Dr. Jennings stated that Dr. Hunter, the former chair of the Personnel Committee, made the suggestion that the Grad Council update the process and establish stricter standards for being granted graduate faculty status and implement a review process; Dr. Jennings confirmed with the Grad Council that this process should be reviewed by the Personnel Committee.

Dean's Report:

Dr. Pellicane stated that budget hearings are approaching. There will not be any cuts next year. He is going to ask for more funding for graduate assistantships. He suggested that all coordinators take a look at their websites. Dr. Moak asked if the Graduate School will have money available to bring prospective students for campus visits; Dr. Pellicane replied that he will be asking for such funding.

Associate Dean's Report:

Dr. Lewis stated that she has been working on graduation check out. The Graduate School is looking to cut off admissions applications 2-3 weeks prior to first day of class for programs, but those seeking non-degree admission will still be processed after that date.

Old Business:

Graduate School Policies: Scholastic Standards (Pellicane):

The Graduate School presented a draft revision of the Scholastic Standards policy; since the Grad Council did not have a chance prior to the meeting to review this document, it was tabled until the next meeting.

Other Business:

Dr. Jennings stated that Grad Council still needed to revisit the other policies that were put on the agenda last fall.

Meeting adjourned 3:48pm