

**University of Arkansas at Little Rock**  
**Graduate Council Minutes**  
**February 22, 2017**

**Members Present:** Tansel Karabacak, Annie Childers, Brian Berry, Roger Dorsey, Sung-Kwan Kim, LaVerne Bell-Tolliver, Kent Layton, Gail Hughes, Menjun Xie, Kwasi Boateng, Karen Kuralt, Jerry Stevenson, John Siegel, Monica Davidson

**Members Absent:** Jeff Hamm, Mary Yang, Michael DeAngelis

**Others Present:** Dana Steele

Meeting called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Dr. Brian Berry.

**Old Business**

Minutes from February 8, 2017, approved.

Erin Finzer spoke about the HLC accreditation process

- HLC is looking for assessments
- Aiming for a “culture of continuous improvement”
- Outcomes-based assessment
- The Assessment Academy is willing to sit down and help programs with the process if they need it.

**New Business**

Report of the Curriculum Committee

***College of Arts, Letters, and Science***

17-1062 STAT 4352/5352 Multiple Changes

*Suspend STAT 7342, alter course descriptions*

***College of Education and Health Professions***

17-1036 TCED 5321 Multiple Changes

*Changes to description to align with ADE requirements, changes to content*

17-1065 AUSE 7333 Credit Hour Change

*Changing from 3 credit hours (7333) to 2 credit hours (7233)*

***College of Engineering and Information Technology***

17-1066 SYEN 5350 Dual-Listing

*Dual-listing of existing course SYEN 4350*

17-1067 CNMG 5351 Dual-Listing

*Dual-listing of existing course CNMG 4351*

***College of Social Sciences and Communication***

17-1048 RHET 4318/5318 Course Change

*Change of title and description*

17-1049 RHET 4317/5317 Course Change

*Change of title and description*

*All approved.*

Report of Personnel Committee

***Graduate Faculty Status Nominees for Affiliate Status***

Khizer Daniyal Syed	Master's	Equifax	IFSC
Muatez Z. Mohammed	Doctorate	UALR-Visting Researcher	PHYS

***Graduate Faculty Status Nominees for Full Status***

Jana McAuliffe	Doctorate	UALR	PHIL
Joseph Spino	Doctorate	UALR	PHIL

*Approved.*

Report of Policies Committee

Clemency Policy Discussion of Possibilities

- Reviewed policies from Buffalo State and the College at Brockport (SUNY)
- Considerations of financial aid maximums
- Possible idea: limited to removing only the credits (in whole semesters) necessary to get up to a 3.0
- Clemency only grants after admission and after registration (11<sup>th</sup> day)
- Students with clemency admitted as conditional

**Dean's Report**

**Open Forum**

- Chancellor possibly reviewing the policy of tuition discount for employees of both UALR and the U of A system.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Brian Berry at 4:07 p.m.