

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
Graduate Council Minutes
September 14, 2011

Members Present: David McAlpine, Angela Hunter, Karen Kuralt, Roger Dorsey, David Dearman, Sung-Kwan Kim, Betty Wood, Amanda Nolen, Chyrle Cantrell, Yupo Chan, Kenji Yoshigoe, Liz Pierce, Maureen James, Julien Mirivel, Stacy Moak, Lillie Wichinsky, Lirong Zeng, Marc Seigar, Dan Sweeney, Alesa Liles, Kyle Ferguson, Michael Bauer

Others Present: Paladino, Beachler, Lewis, Pellicane, Smith-Olinde

Welcome by UALR Faculty Senate President Laura Smith-Olinde and Charge to Council

Dr. Nolen called the meeting to order at: 3:04 p.m.

Minutes of the August 31, 2011 meeting approved.

Report of Curriculum Committee:

College of Professional Studies

11-1163 Program Change: Marriage and Family Therapy

Motion to Approve: Seigar. Motion Passed.

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

11-1147 HIST 4327/5327 Africa in World History

11-1148 HIST 4328/5328 South Africa in World History

11-1149 HIST 4329/5329 Empires and Cultures in World History, 1850-1914

Motion to Approve: Moak Motion Passed

Donaghey College of Engineering & Information Technology

11-1116 SYEN 4384/5384 Computational Methods in Fluids and Heat
Transfer(approved by UGC 3/16/2011)

Motion to Approve: Moak. Motion Passed.

11-1164 CNMG/SYEN 4389/5389 Professional Engineering Licensure (approved by UCG)

Motion to approve: Wichinsky. Motion Passed.

11-6003 Program Change: MS in Computer Science (CPSM)

11-6004 Course Change: CPSC 8100-8600 Thesis

No action taken. Kuralt requested the CPSM changes be moved until the next meeting.

Report of Personnel Committee:

<u>AFFILIATE</u>		
Name	Degree	Affiliation
Stephanie Bayless	MA	Archivist and Assistant Manager The Butler Center for Arkansas Studies
Jiang Bian	PhD	Bioinformatics Manager UAMS
Karen Broadnax	EdD	Director of ESL/ Multilingual Services Little Rock School District
Deborah Dailey	MS	Project STEM Starters Curriculum Coordinator UALR
Joseph Francisco	PhD	Associate Dean of the School of Science Purdue University
Shaun Harper	PhD	Professor of Educational Leadership University of Pennsylvania
Ben Johnson	PhD	Professor of History Southern Arkansas University
Elizabeth Kaye	PhD	Reading Recovery Teacher Leader Texas Woman's University
Robert Kennedy	PhD	Director of Scholarship and Research Center UAMS
Guy Lancaster	PhD	Editor for the Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture
Jackie Long	ME	Reading Recovery Teacher Leader/CIM Coach
Rochelle Miller	MA	Adjunct in Educational Foundations
Lynn Pazzani	PhD	Adjunct Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice UALR
Hanadi Rifai	PhD	Professor and Director of Environmental Engineering University of Houston
Marci Robertson	MA	Director of Collections and Research Museum of Discovery
Kurt Senn	MA	Deputy Director Clinton Presidential Library
Wendy Trzyna	PhD	Associate Professor of Biological Sciences Marshall University

Steven Vaughn	MD	Doctor of Homeopathic Medicine
Evelyn Winston	EdD	Vice Chancellor for Information Services UALR
Barbara Wood	EdD	Adjunct Professor in Educational Leadership UALR (Committee asked that this be moved to the next agenda)
<u>FULL</u>		
Erin Finzer	PhD	Assistant Professor of Spanish UALR
Rochelle Green	PhD	Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Liberal Studies UALR
Michael McCreery	Doctorate	Assistant Professor in Educational Leadership UALR
Nicole Ploeger	PhD	Assistant Professor in Speech Communications UALR
Wei Shi	PhD	Assistant Professor of Construction Management UALR
Robin Smith	PhD	Coordinator of Web Based Learning UAMS (Committee asked that this person be moved to Affiliate Status)
James Willison	EdD	Superintendent Batesville School District #1 (Committee asked that this person be moved to Affiliate Status)
Xian Yu	PhD	Assistant Professor of Statistics UALR (Committee asked that this person be removed from the list)

Committee asked that Tracy Bishop be added to Full Status list, Assistant Professor in Second Languages.

Kuralt moved that Affiliate members be accepted with changes. No second motion needed due to recommendation by committee. Motion Passed.

Kuralt moved that Full members be accepted with changes. No second motion needed due to recommendation by committee. Motion Passed.

Hunter requested that new signature forms replace Faculty Nomination Forms that did not have them.

Hunter also explained that the committee had discussed previous proposals and suggestions of putting together a standard set of guidelines into policies based on the criteria of status.

No proposal was made.

Dean's Report:

Pellicane currently serves on the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools Board of Directors and is busy putting together the program for the winter meeting. He will also present a session on the topic, "What do admission standards mean?" He's doing research with the assistance of Larry Beachler to determine the role undergraduate G.P.A.s play in Graduate School admission due to the fact that grading standards have have changed drastically.

Moak asked Pellicane about the status of the insurance for PhD students. Pellicane explained that he had been in contact with Purchasing about it on several occasions and hopes that it will be available to students in Spring 2012. He stated that the qualifications would include Full time doctoral students with full time assistantships. Dean also indicated that the premium would follow the stipend. A committee will be formed.

Associate Dean's Report:

Lewis expressed that Fall enrollment was complete. She informed members that Sheena Brooks had been hired as the Enrollment Management Coordinator at the Graduate School.

A second job for student life and activities on the Graduate level will be posted shortly. .

Lewis will interview a candidate for President of the Graduate Student Association on Thursday, September 15, 2011.

Old Business:

Nolen questioned the updates of the Graduate Council website. Lewis stated that Larry Beachler will work on updating the membership list for the entire Council, as well as for the sub-committees.

Other Business:

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:41pm