

UA Little Rock Graduate Council
April 24, 2019 3:00 p.m.
Ottenheimer Library, Room 509

Minutes

Members Present:

Annie Childers, Brian Berry, Gail Hughes, Jim Grover, Yupo Chan, Nicole Godfrey, Bryce Jackson-Litteken, Roger Dorsey, Rebekah White, Sung-Kwan Kim, Trisha Rhodes, Karen Kuralt

Members Absent:

Qingfang He, Nawab Ali, Adelene McClenny, Mengjun Xie, Laura Ruhl, Gary Geissler, Brian Delavan, Judith Hayn, Jerry Stevenson, Donna Rose,

Others Present:

Dana Steele, Ross Bradley, Bruce Smith

Meeting called to order at **3:06 p.m.**

Old Business

- Approved minutes from April 10, 2019 meeting.

New Business

- **Report of the Curriculum Committee**
 - **College of Social Sciences and Communication**

19-1047	APSY	Program Deactivate
		APPROVED

- **College of Arts, Letters, and Sciences**

19-1043	MATS	Program Change
		APPROVED

- **College of Education and Health Professions**

19-1037	HHPS	4382/5382	Course Change
			APPROVED

- **College Report of the Policy and Personnel Committee**
 - **Graduate Faculty Nominees for Affiliate Status**

■ Peter Naege	Doctorate	Oberlin College	CEHP
			APPROVED

Dean's Report

The Student Research and Creative Works Expo 2019 was a success. Dr. Bhattacharyya appreciates everyone that participated.

Open Forum

- **Clemency Policy Discussion**

The committee discussed a student example.

The student had completed 2 semesters. They received two C's, B's, and an A. When they got the "B" they were dismissed. To come back to UA Little Rock, the student has to get rid of their C's. This student has no record of D's or F's.

Question: How should this case be handled?

Answer: The student will have to abide by the current Clemency Policy.

This scenario conflicts with two policy issues (recently worked on by the committee).

The Clemency Policy was passed by the Senate.

Based on these policies, the student will have to wipe out a whole semester before they can be readmitted to the university. The student cannot "Take and Replace" because they have been dismissed. Discussed if the student should take classes and pay for them out of pocket until they can gain readmission.

The committee agreed that they may need to modify policies in the future if more situations like this occur. This example brought to the committee is a case that currently isn't covered by both of the recently passed policies. The committee suggested that they will have to think about ways to avoid potential pitfalls like this.

The Graduate Council agreed that if they make changes to the Senate now, that it could raise flags and show weaknesses in their recently modified and approved policies. Currently, the committee has a good record and standing with Faculty Senate.

- **509.11 Graduation Requirements and 509.12 Leave of Absence Revisions**

Both of these policy revisions didn't make it to the last agenda of the Faculty Senate. However, they are first up on the agenda for their August meeting.

The committee consulted on ways to make the policies more procedural. Discussion occurred about how they can prepare for the August meeting. All agreed that they need to be ready to answer any questions that the Senate may have.

There was a discussion about starting a form in Argos to be used as a guide for faculty.

- **Final Meeting**

The committee agreed that no more meetings will need to be held this semester. The next meeting will be in August (Fall semester).

Judy's last meeting was April 10th.

Meeting adjourned **3:31 p.m.**