University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Graduate Council Minutes
April 16, 2014

Members Present: Karen Kuralt, Roger Dorsey, Betty Wood, Kent Layton, Yupo Chan, Ibrahim Duyar, Brian Berry, Maureen James, Nancy Landrum, Marc Seigar, Lillie Wichinsky, Emily Davis, and Paige Buffington.

Members Absent: Jeffrey Grubbs, Tara DeJohn, Lirong Zeng, Shaun Thomas, Angela Hunter, David Dearman, Guoliang Huang, and Daniel Berleant.

Others Present: Johanna Lewis.

Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Dr. Marc Seigar.

Announcements:

- The 4+1 program should be on the April 18 Faculty Senate (FS) agenda, but was skipped. Dr. Seigar has contacted Dr. Andrew Wright, and they are trying to get it added.
    - Dr. Karen Kuralt asked if they could try to move it to the May 9 FS agenda, and Dr. Seigar agreed to try.
    - Dr. Seigar will be out of town on May 9, so Dr. Kuralt agreed to represent him at the FS meeting for both the GC and the 4+1 program discussion.
- Dr. Seigar announced that he is leaving UALR at the end of this school year.
    - Dr. Angela Hunter has agreed to go to the Chancellor's Leadership Group retreat in July in his place.
    - If any members are interested in chairing the GC, they should contact Dr. Seigar soon.

Old Business: minutes from April 2 approved, with the correction of moving Steven Minsker to "Others Present."

New Business:

Curriculum Subcommittee:

Donaghey College of Engineering and Information Technology

14-1075 CPSC 5360 Computer Security: Prerequisite Change

Approved.

College of Science

14-1096 HSCI 7326 Lab Techniques in Exercise Science: New Course

14-1097 HSCI 7337 Sport Facility and Event Management: New Course

Approval of this new course also suspends HSCI 7332 and 7335.

14-1098 HSCI 7327 Neuromechanics: New Course
All approved.

College of Education
14-1154 GATE Gifted, Creative, and Talented Education program: Name Change
14-1155-GATE M.Ed.: Change in required program hours
Both approved.

Personnel Subcommittee:

Recommendation for Affiliate Graduate Faculty Status

Jay Barth	Doctoral	Hendrix College	PUHI
Monica Guzman	Doctoral	Cornell U.	CHEM
Calvin White, Jr.	Doctoral	UA-F	PUHI

All approved.

Dean's Report: Dean Casey is currently interviewing dean candidates.

Associate Dean's Report:

- The Graduate School is currently down a few people, but is working hard to stay on top of applications.
- Application numbers are notable higher than this time last year.

Open Forum:

- Dr. Seigar: committee with Dr. Wright that is working on affiliate status issues will probably not meet until after restructuring has settled down.
- Dr. Seigar would like the ad hoc committee on teaching assistants to possible meet again before the next GC meeting.
- Emeritus GFS issue: Dr. Seigar and Dean Casey discussed the issue, and are considering the idea of giving full GF status to Emeritus faculty, as a privilege.
    - Dr. Layton: would like to see a full list of current Emeritus faculty, to see who all are affected by current and possible future GFS policies.
    - Dr. Chan: suggests letting Emeritus faculty maintain full GFS until they have finished out their time on current dissertation/thesis committees. They would not be allowed to take on any new roles on committees.
    - Dr. Seigar will try to draft language on this issue and the GC's proposed policy on it for the next GC meeting.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Seigar at 3:29 p.m.