

**University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Graduate Council Minutes
December 2, 2015**

Members Present: Tansel Karabacak, Marjorie Williams-Smith, Brian Berry, Roger Dorsey, Jeff Hamm, David Gilliam, LaVerne Bell-Tolliver, Jim Grover, Gail Hughes, Daniel Berleant, Mike DeAngelis, Mary Yang, George Jensen, Monica Davidson, Luis Cabanellas

Members Absent: Kwasi Boateng, Jerry Stevenson, John Siegel

Others Present: Paula Casey, Dana Steele, Larry Beachler

Meeting called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Dr. Brian Berry.

Old Business

Minutes from November 18, 2015, approved.

New Business

Report from Curriculum Committee

Donaghey College of Engineering and Information Science

15-6147 IFSC New Program

Approved

Discussion of "Duplicate Credit" Policy, which is enforced by the university, not the Department of Higher Education.

We the Graduate Council, as we interpret the current Graduate School policy on "duplicate credit", believe that the policy allows for coursework from a certificate program to be counted towards the completion of either a master's or a doctoral degree and the coursework from a master's degree to count towards the completion of a doctoral degree.

Report from Personnel Committee

Graduate faculty status nominees for affiliate status

Sally Crisp	Doctorate	UALR	RHET
Louis Fourie	Doctorate	Cape Peninsula University of Technology	IFSC
Sinan Kockara	Doctorate	UCA	IFSC

(Affiliate Status Cont'd)

George W. Prigge	Doctorate	UTenn School of Health Sciences	Educational Leadership
Shaun A. Thomas	Doctorate	U of A	CRJU
Ashvin P. Vibhakar	Doctorate	UALR	ECON/FINC

Graduate faculty status nominees for full status

Rachida Parks	Doctorate	UALR	BINS
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All approved.

Report from Policies Committee

Discussion of needed changes to the graduate assistantship policy. Edited copy of a revised policy presented. Some changes were needed, so a revised copy will be presented at the next meeting (in the spring).

Dean's Report

- Back on track for marketing of the Graduate School
- Graduate School is at full staff, except for one GA position due to the current GA leaving for the spring semester
- Up 140 students registered from this time last year

Open Forum

- Discussion of when first meeting of spring will be held- no decision reached
- Encouragement by Larry Beachler for programs to look at ADHE's CIP codes to see if the program may possibly be eligible to move up a tier which increases funding. CIP codes are ADHE's method of determining funding via performance.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Brian Berry at 4:12 p.m.