

**University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Graduate Council Minutes
September 14, 2016**

Members Present: Tansel Karabacak, Annie Childers, Brian Berry, Roger Dorsey, Sung-Kwan Kim, LaVerne Bell-Tolliver, Kent Layton, Jeff Hamm, Gail Hughes, Michael DeAngelis, Karen Kuralt, Mary Yang, Kwasi Boateng, Chia-Chu Chiang (proxy for Menjun Xie), Monica Davidson

Members Absent: Jerry Stevenson, John Siegel

Others Present: Abhijit Bhattacharyya, Lucas Crosland, Dana Steele, Kristi Wright

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Dr. Brian Berry.

Old Business

Minutes from August 31, 2016, approved.

New Business

Report of the Curriculum Committee

16-6000 M.S. Sport Management Admissions Change

Approved

Report of Personnel Committee

Graduate Faculty Status Nominees for Full Status

David Clemmons	MFA	UALR	ART
Katie Helms	Doctorate	UALR	HHPS
Bronwyn MacFarlane	Doctorate	UALR	GFCT

Graduate Faculty Status Nominees for Affiliate Status

Phillis Nichols Anderson	Doctorate	CEO- ScholarMade	EDAS
Ashley Buchman	Doctorate	Campus Dean- ASU- Newport	HIED
Bruce N. Davidson	Doctorate	Independent Healthcare Practice Consultant	INFQ
Jane Dunn	Doctorate	Retired	BIOL
Marico Bryant Howe	Doctorate	UAMS	IFSC

Michael C. Kelly	Doctorate	Chief Data Officer, USC	IFSC
Timothy Martin King	Doctorate	Consultant, Babcock Analytic Solutions	IFSC
Rupak Pathak	Doctorate	UAMS	BIOL
Mark S. Ramsey	Doctorate	Sr Vice President & Chief Data Officer, GlaxoSmithKline	IFSC
Tom Richeson	Masters	UALR	Music
Shazia Sadiq	Doctorate	Professor, Univ. of Queensland, Australia	IFSC
Joshua Spinler	Doctorate	UALR	ERSC
Matthew Allen Thomas	Doctorate	High School teacher, Catholic High	PHYS
Cihan Varol	Doctorate	Professor, Sam Houston State	IFSC
Joshua Xu	Doctorate	Computer Scientist	IFSC

Approved, except for David Clemons, Katie Helms, and Rupak Pathak, who are tabled.

- No further use of old faculty status form (use only the most recent one)
- Discussion of status (full or affiliate) for people in the joint programs
- Possibility of changing faculty status form

Report of Policies Committee

- Begin working through academic policies that are used but are unofficial to make the policies official

Dean's Report

- Welcome from Dr. Bhattacharyya
- Spent some funds (about \$15,000) to help students on the delete list (about 148 on 8/23) with payment plans, gave small scholarships. Got down to 18 students on the delete list on 8/31.
- Want to launch a program to support domestic undergraduate students who want to attend graduate school
- Working on getting graduate programs on DegreeWorks
- Possible idea of a proposal writing (grant proposal, thesis/dissertation proposal, fellowship proposal) how-to workshop

- Catalog is currently held strictly on WordPress; working on catalog changes for next year. Moving catalog to “pods” in WordPress soon.

Open Forum

- Graduate Assistant support (health insurance maximum, etc.)
 - GA policy establishes minimums, not absolutes
 - Is the amount of money/stipend given to a GA actually regulated? Is it a real policy or just a held precedent?

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Brian Berry at 4:15 p.m.