

Graduate Faculty Minutes
April 24, 2007
Library Conference Room A
3:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. David Ray; Dr. Ranelle Eubanks; Dr. Debbie Bryant; Dr. Peggy Doss; Dr. Sue Martin; Dr. Dewayne Massey; Dr. Max Terrell; Dr. Richard Kluender; Dr. Sayeed Mehmood; Dr. Philip Tappe; Dr. Robert Weih; Dr. Gary Marshall; Dr. Kate Stewart; Ms. Donna Hunnicutt. Reporter: Ms. Rita Hyatt

The Graduate Faculty approved the November 28, 2006 minutes.

Review of Graduate Council actions for the Spring 2007 semester. Actions included:

The Council met three times during the Spring semester:

1/30/07

2/27/07

4/24/07

The Council approved the following members to the Graduate Faculty:

School of Arts and Humanities

Category II

- Mr. Scott Lykens

The Council approved the following proposals from the School of Education.

1. Modify Master of Education in Educational Leadership Course Descriptions
2. Modify Master of Education Course Descriptions
3. Add Undergraduate Requirements for entrance into the MAT program for P-8, 7-12 in Physical Education, Art, Music, or Foreign Language.

The Council approved the following proposals from the SPED licensure program.

1. Add SPED Instructional Specialist in Special Education 4-12 Licensure
2. Add SPED 5XX3 Intro. to Teaching Persons with Disabilities for Grades 4-12
3. Add SPED 5XX3 Advanced Teaching Methods for Persons w/Disabilities for Grades 4-12

Mr. Ray voiced his position (and the Chancellor's) that the Dean's and/or Chancellor's List is reserved for undergraduate students who achieve the required GPAs. He further indicated that the current catalog is clear on this point.

The Council approved the following policy presented by the Second Degree Committee regarding obtaining a second master's degree. The policy will be placed on the proper form so that a catalog update can be made.

A maximum of twelve (12) semester hours but not more than one third of the total course requirements of the second UAM master's degree may be fulfilled by course work completed for a previous UAM master's degree.

Courses applied to a second UAM master's degree program from another completed UAM master's degree program must be specifically approved by the student's major advisor, school dean, and Dean of the Graduate School.

The Council discussed how to identify a graduate student for financial aid purpose. Forest Resources and Education said that they could forward a copy of the admittance letter to Registrar's Office. Dr. Bryant will change the coding to a graduate student once she is notified.

The Council discussed a statement in the Ad Hoc Recommendations (Academic Standards) regarding the comment that all graduate programs on campus should have a significant methodological component including research methods and statistical analysis. The requirements in both Education and Forestry Resources were discussed with the Council. The Council stated at this time appropriate standards are being met.

Mr. Ray thanked the Council and the Graduate Faculty for their dedicated work to the University.

The Graduate Faculty Meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.