

Graduate Council Minutes
January 27, 2009
3:00 p.m.
Library Conference Room-A

Present: Provost David Ray; Dr. Albert Snow; Ms. Melissa Vincent; Dr. Gary Marshall; Dr. John Hunt; Dr. Rich Corby; Dr. Jamie Schuler; Ms. Shivan GC; Dr. Peggy Doss; Dr. Donna Hunnicutt; Dr. Philip Tappe; Dr. Sayeed Mehmood; Dr. Debbie Bryant; Dr. Ranelle Eubanks.
Reporter: Ms. Rita Hyatt.

The Council approved the November 11, 2008 minutes by a vote of acclamation.

Dr. Peggy Doss discussed a concern about the policy and procedures to be admitted into the graduate program. Students can take up to six hours of graduate classes without applying to the graduate program. She stated that the School of Education has a problem with students enrolling in graduate level classes without being admitted into the graduate program. The Council asked for a block to be placed in the computer system that would only allow a student to take up to six hours of graduate classes without being admitted into the graduate program. The Council decided to change the color of the “green” card (change in registration) to orchid or purple for graduate courses only and require the signature of the Graduate Coordinator and Graduate Dean of Education or Forest Resources. The Registrar’s Office will not process the Change of Registration card without the signature of Graduate Coordinator or Dean of Education or Forest Resources.

Mr. Ray discussed the teaching load for graduate faculty. The course load for full-time faculty teaching only graduate-level courses is 9 semester credit hours. Mr. Ray stated that he would ask the Executive Council to review the UAM Operating Procedure 420.1 (re: teaching load for faculty) to adjust the overload policy concerning teaching graduate-level courses.

The Council approved one student appeal to continue in the Masters of Education program. Mr. Ray announced that a student appeal from the School of Forest Resources was electronically approved by the Council.

The Council approved Dr. Victor L. Ford for Graduate Faculty Membership as a Category III member.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.