

Graduate Studies Council AY 2018-2019
Minutes from Meeting 5, TEB 231, March 8, 2019
Approved by the GSC 09/13/19

Present: Randy Spaid, Jonathan Yerby, Bill Hervey, Scott Spangler, Gaston Brouwer, Francisco Lopez, George L. Israel, Kinzie Lee, Chip Rogers, Neil Rigole, Gerald Lucas, Stephanie Tolliver, Benita Muth, Chip Rogers, Ed Steigerwald, Kevin Cantwell (*ex officio*), Sabrina Wenger, Loretta Clayton.

1. Call to order: Randy Spaid, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.
2. Randy Spaid made a motion to suspend Council rules, to allow Provost John Anderson to address the Council. Neil Rigole seconded, and the motion carried by vote.
3. Provost John Anderson addressed the Council. He explained the status of graduate education in state universities, as well as of the pending graduate program proposals currently awaiting approval at the system office. Provost Anderson explained his understanding of the role of the Council, that it primarily monitored current programs and identified areas for the expansion of new programs. He asked the Council what role it would like to play in our institution in the future. He is open to the Council's opinions regarding whether or not it should have more authority in reviewing graduate program proposals. With Council members, Provost Anderson discussed different options for the status of the Council moving forward.
4. The Agenda was approved. Benita Muth moved to approve, Jonathan Yerby seconded, the motion carried by voice vote.
5. Minutes from the Feb. 8 meeting were approved. Francisco Lopez moved to approve, Jonathan Yerby seconded, the motion carried by voice vote.
6. Regarding the Dean's Report, Dean Kevin Cantwell reported on the status of pending graduate programs currently under review by the Board of Regents, as well as enrollment statistics. He noted that when graduate faculty fill out their annual evaluations they should obtain his credentialing memo, which will be posted online, and attach it to the evaluation.
 - a. Bill Hervey made a motion that the chair of the Graduate Studies Council be included as a member of the Academic Affairs Board (Curriculum Committee).

Chip Rogers seconded, and the motion carried by voice vote, and will be sent to the executive committee.

- b. Jonathan Yerby made a motion that the chair of the Graduate Studies Council be given signature line approval on all graduate proposals that come before the Academic Affairs Board (Curriculum Committee) for review. Chip Rogers seconded, and the motion carried by voice vote, and will be set to the provost's office.

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. George L. Israel, Recorder

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