

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
May 8, 2007

The Graduate Council met Tuesday, April 10, 2007, in the MSC Boardroom at 3:00 p.m. with Dean Allan D. Headley presiding. Members present were: Dr. Ben Jang, Dr. Sue Espinoza, Dr. Harry Fullwood, Dr. John Hanners, Dr. Jeff Kopachena, Mr. David Mickelson, Dr. Chris Myers, Dr. Derek Royal, Dr. Mary Beth Sampson, Dr. Janet Walker, and Ms. Adena Young. Members absent were: Dr. Hasan Coskun, Dr. Cynthia Harr, Dr. Chester Robinson, Dr. Steven Shwiff and Dr. Dayle Yeager. Dr. Jon Travis, Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies & Research was also in attendance.

The minutes from the last Graduate Council, April 10, 2007, were approved.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM

Dr. Hanners presented the following curriculum changes: Chem 547 and Chem 597. The Council approved one change to the description for Chem 597. Both courses were then unanimously approved by the Council.

Dr. Hanners presented two applications for new Graduate Certificate Programs from the Department of Educational Leadership:

College Teaching

College/University Administration

A motion to approve the certificate programs was made by Dr. Fullwood and seconded by Dr. Kopachena with a unanimous approval by the Graduate Council.

Dr. Hanners informed the Council that another graduate certificate program is still in the approval process and will be presented to the Council by e-mail for a vote.

Currently, we have a Graduate Certificate in Criminal Justice Management and have had four students receive the certificate. The certificate is also noted on the student's transcript.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON FACULTY, RESEARCH & INSTRUCTION

Dr. Espinoza presented the committee report on senior faculty reviews. After a motion by Dr. Espinoza, which was seconded by Dr. Fullwood, the Council granted the following faculty member senior graduate faculty membership for an additional six years:

Dr. R. N. Singh

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Kopachena present the committee report on a request from the College of Business and Technology to change admissions criteria for the College of Business and Technology. A motion by Dr. Kopachena with a second by Dr. Myers was made to delete some of the wording for Probationary admissions. These changes were approved by the Council who then approved the new criteria. In summary the changes included raising the current UGPA of 2.75 to 3.0 (cumulative) and 3.0 to 3.25 on the last 60 hours for full admission. An UGPA of less than 3.0 (cumulative) requires an acceptable GMAT/GRE score.

The Administration Committee of the Graduate Council reviewed the charge concerning dissertation advisors and recommended that the disposition of graduate students of advisors who leave the university be handled

by the department head on behalf of the student through consultation with the student and the advisor and with approval of the Graduate Dean. The recommendation was accepted by the Graduate Council

Announcements

Graduate Expo Report by Dr. Jon Travis

Commencement, May 12, 2007—Graduate Ceremony Speaker will be Mr. Gene Lockhart

Graduate Council Elections for College of Education and Human Services and College of Arts of Sciences is underway

Next Meeting: Fall Semester, 2007

ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Louise Skinner

Secretary to the Graduate Council