

**CGPSP Minutes**  
**May 1, 2024**  
**3:30-5:00 p.m.**  
**Graduate Life Center Room 238/Zoom**

**Present:** Monty Abbas (presiding), Coy Allen, Lisa Becksford, Zai Cook, Rob Emmett, Paul Emmons, Chip Frazier, Kevin Edgar (proxy for Mary Kasarda), Sattar Mansi, Rachel Maizel (proxy for Rose McGroarty), Aimée Surprenant, Tyler Walters, Jerald Walz, and Scott Weimer

**Absent with Notice:** Carolyn Commer, Christina DiMarino, Mary Kasarda, Renee LeClair, Kwok Tsang

**Absent:** Nancy Bradley, Joe Eifert, Tom Ewing, Charly Hartle, Rose McGroarty, Tarisa Ross, Katelyn Steide,

**Guests:** Diana Bairaktarova, Gala Gonzalez Barrios, Talha Bin Asad, Ico Bukvic, Cathy Grimes, Barbara Hoopes, Bill Huckle, Lauren Surface

Monty called the meeting to order. There was no quorum. Dr. Kevin Edgar and Rachel Maizel became proxies for colleagues so that quorum could be reached.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

Agenda was approved and adopted.

**2. Approval of or Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of April 17, 2024**

Minutes were approved.

**3. Old Business-**

○ **IPhD Proposals with comments/suggestions—Dr. Huckle**

\* Dr. Huckle stated that he provided responses to comments from the IPhD presentations from last meeting and they are posted in SharePoint for everyone to see. Dr. Huckle asked that the committee move the vote for the three IPhD student proposals until after the two IPhD presentations today so that the committee could vote on all 5 iPhD proposals after today's students have presented and so that presenting students wouldn't be in the meeting for the discussion of others student's proposals.

\*There was a motion to move the vote until after today's IPhD presentations. Motion passed.

**4. New Business-**

○ **IPhD Proposals—Dr. Huckle**

\*Gala González Barrios: "Harmonizing Identities: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Voice Restoration for Identity Recovery and Empowerment through Electronic Arts, Human-Centered Design, and Natural Language Processing"

\* Talha Bin Asad: "Serious(Game)ly Sustainable: Do Engineering Students Learn Sustainability Concepts Better through Game-Based Instruction"?

\*There was a motion to approve the three IPhD proposals presented at the last meeting. Motion passed.

\*There was a motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading for today's two IPhD proposals since there aren't any further CGPSP meetings this semester. Motion passed.

\*There was a motion to approve today's two IPhD proposals. Motion passed.

- **Current resolutions in governance—Dean Surprenant**

\*The caste resolution from CGPSA, which adds caste to policy 1025 will have its second reading at University Council on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

- **Candidacy Discount—Dean Surprenant**

\*Dean Surprenant has asked for an increase; working to change the process around it so that it will be an opt-out instead of an opt-in.

- **Plans for fall semester—Montasir Abbas**

\*Renee LeClair will be chair of CGPSP next year.

#### **4. Acceptance and Posting of Committee Reports and/or Minutes**

- **Graduate Student Appeals Committee-** Aimée Surprenant  
None

- **DAP (Degree and Academic Progress)-** Coy Allen

No current updates. Will put any updates in shared drive from last meeting's presentation.

- **Ad Hoc Masters-**Barbara Hoopes

Presented results to the Graduate Program Directors meeting and it was well-received.

- **Graduate School Updates-**Aimée Surprenant

\*Dean Surprenant will put a summary in SharePoint on a variety of updates and items the Graduate School has been working on (work-life grant, flow charts, effects of supreme court decisions, etc.)

\*GPSS climate surveys—will move forward with working with Rachel on these

\*Dean Surprenant addressed the unrest on campus.

- **Constituency Updates-**Monty Abbas

**a. Graduate and Professional Student Senate—**Rachel Maizel

\*The University Council presentation went well. Rachel will be the CGPSA chair next year.

**b. Graduate Student Honor System—**Rose McGroarty

No report

**c. University Library Committee—**Lisa Becksford

\*No report

**d. Faculty Senate—**Jerald Walz

\*Renee LeClair will be next year's commission chair.

**e. Undergraduate Student Senate—**Karl Rice

No update

**f. Board of Visitors**—Emily Tirrell  
No update

**g. AP Faculty Senate**—Rob Emmett  
\*No report

- **University Council and Commission Updates**—Monty Abbas

**a. University Council** –Monty Abbas  
\*No update

**b. Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies**—Rachel Holloway  
\*No update

**5. Announcements-**

The commission members thanked Monty for his service to CGPSP!

**6. Adjournment-**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.