

CGPSP - Commission on Graduate and Professional Studies and Policies
November 16, 2022
3:30-5:00 p.m.
Graduate Life Center Room 238 or Zoom
<https://virginiatech.zoom.us/j/87513733962>
Meeting ID: 875 1373 3962

Present: Montasir Abbas (presiding), Coy Allen, Lisa Becksford, Christina DiMarino, Joseph Eifert, Robert Emmett, Paul Emmons, Chip Frazier, Rachel Holloway, Mary Kasarda, Eric Kaufman, Sattar Mansi, Rose McGroarty, Rebecca Pauly, Tristan Southerland, Aimée Surprenant, Alina Valop, Scott Weimer, Pengtao Yue

Absent with Notice: Donna Sedgwick, Noor Tasnim

Absent: Kayla Alward, Nancy Bradley, Tom Ewing, Hannah Parks, Tyler Walters

Guests: Anna Buhle, Kevin Edgar, Bill Huckle, Carrie Mayer, April Myers, Lauren Surface, Kenneth Wong

Monty called the meeting to order at 3:31. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

2. Approval of or Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of November 2, 2022

A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 2, 2022 minutes. The motion carried.

3. Committee Reports-Montasir Abbas

a. Graduate Curriculum Committee-Coy Allen

GCC met on November 10. There are 8 new courses and 1 modification to a degree program. A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 10 GCC Report. The motion carried.

b. Graduate Student Appeals- Aimée Surprenant

There are currently no appeals.

c. DAP-Mary Kasarda

- DAP met and had a discussion regarding Instructor of Record. This will be re-visited at the next meeting.

5. Old Business

a. None

6. New Business

a. Dale Pike

- **Presentation regarding Online and Flexible Learning. The presentation slides have been posted in Sharepoint.**

- **Three important ideas: support for faculty, support for the development of course content and structure, and physical environments that need attention.**

7. Acceptance and Posting of Committee Reports and/or Minutes

- **Graduate School Updates**-Dean Surprenant

It's admission and fellowship season in the Graduate School. Bouchet Scholars, fellowships, and Outstanding Mentor nominations are open. More information can be found on the Graduate School website.

The exit survey for the Graduate School is now back up and data is available on the website.

Graduate School Town Hall regarding Additional Services is being held via zoom on November 17th at 1:30.

8. Constituency Updates-Montasir Abbas

- a. Graduate and Professional Student Senate**-Ben Beiter

No update

- b. Graduate Honor System**- Rose McGroarty

No update

- c. University Library Committee**-Lisa Becksford

No update

- d. Faculty Senate**- Eric Kaufman

No update

- e. Undergraduate student Senate**-Tristan Southerland

No update but he thanked commission for the opportunity to serve

- f. Board of Visitors**-Anna Buhle

BOV met over the weekend and discussed the next steps for the freedom of expression statement; student life village; and a modification added as a supplement to the master plan.

- g. AP Faculty Senate**-Rob Emmett

Met on November 16. There were no action items.

9. University Council and Commission Updates-Montasir Abbas

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No update

- b. Commission on Student Affairs**-Montasir Abbas

No update

- c. Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Polices**-Rachel Holloway

No update

10. Announcements-

- Next meeting will be on December 7, 2022.
- Shernita Lee will lead a presentation.

9. Adjournment-

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:18.