

## MINUTES

### **Commission on Graduate and Professional Studies and Policies**

May 4, 2022, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

238 GLC and Zoom

**Present:** Montasir Abbas, Coy Allen, Kayla Alward, Nancy Bodenhorn, Christina DiMarino, Marcía Feuerstein, Chip Frazier, Rachel Holloway, Barbara Hoopes, Maruf Hoque, Hannah Parks, Roan Parrish, Nathaniel Porter, Aimée Surprenant, Alina Valop, Tyler Walters, Scott Weimer, Jordan Westcott, Pengtao Yue

**Absent with notification:** Joe Eiffert, Bob Hicok

**Absent without notification:** Laura Belmonte, Amanda Covey, Kait Malewicz, Rebecca Pauly, Cliff Shaffer

**Visitors and invited guests:** Kevin Edgar, Paul Emmons, Bill Huckle, Jack Leff, Carrie Mayer, Phillip Miskovic

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Feuerstein at 3:32 p.m. A quorum was established.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Agenda was adopted after Dr. Abbas recommended the addition of 4 words to New Business Part A: *Dr Abbas reported that the efforts to establish Shared Governance started in 2015.*

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from April 20, 2022 were approved.

## **Committee Reports**

### Graduate Curriculum Committee-Coy Allen

Dr. Allen reported that the GCC approved 11 new courses and there are 9 remaining for the fall. GCC report was voted on and approved.

### Graduate Student Appeals Committee-

No appeals pending.

### Degree Requirements, Standards, Criteria, and Academic Progress (DRSCAP) Committee-Barbara Hoopes

DRSCAP met on April 28 and focused on ongoing efforts. Roan Parrish and Cathy Grimes are working together to get information posted on the graduate school website as well as orientation materials posted. Faculty members will need the information too, so a contact in the SSD and ADA office will be identified. Dr. Edgar will be the contact for disability issues in regards to inserting a scenario into the faculty mentoring training that is taking place across the university. Dr. Hoopes thanked the dean for attending the last meeting.

## **Old Business**

## **New Business**

### **A. Election of 2022-23 GCC Chair-Marcía Feuerstein**

GCC will remain in operation through 2023 in order to smooth the transition to both new governance and the new features of Course Leaf, the new curriculum management software. Dr. Feuerstein noted that Dr. Coy Allen has offered to continue as the GCC Chair. She called for any more nominations. There were none. She called for a motion to elect Dr. Allen to be nominated for re-election. Motion carried and Dr. Allen was unanimously elected as Chair of the GCC for 2022-23.

## **Graduate School Updates-Aimée Surprenant**

## **A. General Updates-**

The dean thanked everyone for serving on this commission. She gave a quick update on the stipend task force. Complete updates will be posted in Sharepoint.

## **Constituency Updates-Marcía Feuerstein**

### Graduate and Professional Student Senate

Jack Leff reported they have transitioned to the new executive team.

### Graduate Honor System

Kayla Alward stated there are 11 cases. 4 are active and 2 are VMCVM cases. She uploaded the GHS edited information in Sharepoint.

### University Library Committee

Nothing to report.

### Faculty Senate

New elections will be on Friday, May 6.

### Undergraduate Student Senate

Nothing to report

### Board of Visitors Representative

Phil Miskovic reported there is no finalized budget, as they are waiting on the General Assembly. The hope is to have the budget by commencement. The next meeting will be in early June.

## **University Council and Commission Updates**

### University Council-Marcía Feuerstein

UC met on May 2. They went over unfinished business and everything passed and was approved. There was a well-received presentation from Climate Action Commitment Implementation.

### Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs

Nothing to report

### Commission on Student Affairs

Nothing to report

### Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Dr. Holloway reported that a new academic relief policy was passed.

## **Announcements**

This was the final meeting for the academic year. Dr. Feuerstein thanked everyone for their time and service.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Mayer

On behalf of Aimée Surprenant, Ph.D.

Dean for Graduate Education