

## **MINUTES**

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

**September 18, 2019**

**3:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

### **Graduate School Conference Room**

**Present:** John Hole, Chair, Coy Allen, Hani Awni, Lujean Baab, Charles Nichols (for Nancy Bodenhorn), Karen DePauw (ex officio), Paul Emmons, Marcia Feuerstein, Madlyn Frisard, Cynthia Hampton, Lesa Hanlin, Barbara Hoopes, Maruf Hoque, Sarah Karpanty, Anurag Mantha, Hannah Parks, Nathaniel Porter, and Robert Sumichrast.

**Absent with notification:** Rachel Holloway (ex officio).

**Absent without notification:** Mehdi Ahmadian, Alexis Hruby, Joseph Kozak, Ashley Shew, and Tyler Walters (ex officio).

**Visitors and invited guests:** Janice Austin, Kevin Edgar, Catherine Grimes, Bill Huckle, and Ryan King.

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Hole at 3:30 p.m.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved as presented.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of May 1, 2019 were approved as presented.

### **Overview**

Dr. Hole presented an overview of CGPSP, including the committee structure and the charge to the CGPSP membership.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Graduate Curriculum Committee**

Dr. Frisard presented the Graduate Curriculum Committee minutes of September 12, 2019. The minutes were accepted as presented.

#### **Graduate Student Appeals Committee**

Dr. DePauw reported there were no cases to be heard at this time. Committee membership will be established at a later date.

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

Dr. Hole described the work of the committee as it relates to academic procedures and policies. He then called for volunteers to serve on the committee. Lujean Baab, Marcia Feuerstein, Hani Awni, and Cynthia Hampton will serve this year. An additional faculty member will be sought at the next meeting and a chair will be identified.

## **Vice President's & Dean's Progress Report & Priorities for 2019-20**

Dr. DePauw gave her annual report on graduate education to the membership. Of interest was the student perspective in choosing Virginia Tech, student priorities, and identifying those items that are stressors for students. Dr. DePauw provided an overview of graduate education at Virginia Tech, including campus sites, degrees, certificates, and a snapshot of data reflective of the Graduate School. Discussion of a variety of topics was introduced and will be developed at the upcoming meetings of the Commission.

## **Constituency Updates**

### Graduate Student Assembly

Mr. Awni had no report.

### Graduate Honor System

Mr. Mantha had no report.

### University Library Committee

There was no report.

### Faculty Senate

There was no report.

### Student Government Association

There was no report.

### Board of Visitors

Mr. King had no report.

## **University Council and Commission Updates**

There was no report.

**Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/

Marilynn R. King

On behalf of Karen P. DePauw, Ph.D.

Vice President and Dean for Graduate Education