Graduate Council Minutes

May 3, 2010

Members Present: Thomas McIlwain (Chair), Ruth Caillouet, Katie Willock, Nathan Borchelt, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Junfeng Qu, Craig Hill, Jeff Chastain, Shayla Mitchell, Thomas Eaves, Brigitte Byrd, Jennell Charles, Deborah Deckner

Members Not Present: Michael Tidwell

Meeting called to order by Dr. McIlwain at 2:05 p.m.

Minutes of the April 12, 2010 Graduate Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Burns-Ardolino and seconded by Dr. Chastain, and approved by the Council.

Jeff Chastain presented the Master of Archival Studies course proposals: ARST 5500: Archival Appraisal, Resource Selection and Evaluation; ARST 5200: Arrangement and Description of Archival Records; IFTN 5000: Intermediate Database Design for archives. Motion to approve the courses was made by Shayla Mitchell, seconded by Wendy Burns-Ardolino, and approved by all. These courses do not change the number of hours in the curriculum and they are not foundational courses.

Tom McIlwain provided the update on the BUSA 5100 proposal that was presented at the April 2010 Graduate Council meeting. Upon further investigation it was determined that the course was a bridge course and that it does not change the overall curriculum hours for the MBA degree program.

Jeff Chastain presented the proposed Faculty Senate Graduate Council by-laws to the members. The council decided that the by-laws should be modified to indicate the “Chair of the Graduate Council or his/her designee” would report Graduate Council activities to the Faculty Senate. The members also requested a change to the appointment year. The appointment year portion of the bylaws will be discussed further at the June meeting. The final by-laws will be presented at the fall graduate faculty meeting for full graduate faculty approval.

The committee reviewed the graduate faculty applications listed below:

* Mary Lamb (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Full Status) - Motion by Burns-Ardolino, second by Qu. Approved unanimously.
* Gregory McNamara (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Full Status) - Motion by Burns-Ardolino, second by Caillouet. Byrd opposed motion. Motion passed by majority vote.
* Gregory Flail (Ph.D.) –College of Arts and Sciences (Temporary Status) - Motion by Burns-Ardolino, second by Caillouet. Approved unanimously.

Announcements

* The College of Health met with Columbus State University regarding offering the MSN program completely on-line via Georgia On My Line. McIlwain indicated that we consider potential programs on line where we might not have all of the resources to offer a program and another institution might not have enough resources as well. We can collaborate and have the adequate resources to offer the degree programs. Georgia On My Line is a clearing house, but they have been technical issues that they continue to work on. The program still would have to be approved by the Board of Regents and SAC and it would have to have move to an e-tuition rate. This discussion will be revisited at a later Graduate Council meeting.
* The cross listing of courses was discussed by McIlwain, but was table until the June meeting
* The next Graduate Council meeting will be June 14, 2010 at 2 p.m.
* McIlwain indicated that he would check with Gordon Baker, Director of the Library to determine if graduate students would be able to have library privileges when they are not registered for coursework.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor