Graduate Council Minutes

November 11, 2012

Members Present: Robert A. Vaughan, Jr. (Chair), Patricia Smith, Tom McIlwain, Betty Lane, Craig Hill, Celeste Walley-Jean, Mari Roberts, Richard Pearce-Moses, Deborah Deckner, Ali Dadpay, Lynn Stover Linda Nash, and Randy Rosenburg.

Members Not Present: William Hong

Meeting called to order by Dr. Vaughan at 2:00 p.m.

The minutes from October 10, 2012 Graduate Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Pearce-Moses, and approved by the Council.

* Charlotte Swint (D.N.P.), College of Health (Associate) – recommendation to approve was made by Lane, seconded by Pearce-Moses, and approved by the Council.
* Susan Ashford (Ph.D.), College of Health (Full) – recommendation to approve was made by Lane, seconded by Pearce-Moses, and approved by the Council.
* Mario Norman (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Affiliate) – recommendation to approve was made by Deckner, seconded by Nash, and approved by the Council.

Dr. Betty Lane discussed by the previously tabled MSN Post Master Certificate program in Nursing. A motion to approve the proposal was made by Lane, seconded by Roberts, and approved by the Council.

Dr. Ali Dadpay discussed the recommendations of the Out of State Tuition waiver subcommittee. The council requested more formal procedures to be developed. The council agreed the waivers for those students who are currently receiving them as well as those newly accepted for spring 2013 should be automatically awarded waivers for spring and summer semesters 2013 if they are in good academic standing. The formal policies for awards will be developed for implementation for fall 2013. Beginning fall 2013 the competitive pool process for the distribution of these waivers will begin.

Dr. Vaughan indicated we need to begin revising various graduate related documents and policies for the upcoming SACS review. This process should begin in early spring.

Dr. Vaughan briefly discussed the non-thesis option and asked each Graduate Program Director to send information regarding their non-thesis option to him no later than December 2, 2012. These policies will need to be further defined in the next couple of months as they will need to be on record for the upcoming SACS review.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor