

Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes
April 14, 2014

Members Present: Robert A. Vaughan, Jr. (Chair), Deborah Deckner, Elliot Krop, Craig Hill, Victoria Foster, Ali Dadpay, R. B. Rosenburg, Richard Pearce-Moses, Linda Nash, Ruth Caillouet (for Mari Roberts and Dennis Attick) Tom McIlwain, Christopher Raridan, Jennell Charles, Susan Ashford, Susan Copeland and Celeste Walley-Jean.

Members Not Present: Patricia Smith and Christopher Raridan

Guests: Antoinette Miller

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.

The minutes from February 10, 2014 Graduate Affairs Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Pearce-Moses and approved by the Committee.

Dr. Miller visited the meeting to talk about PACE. There is space for graduate students to participate in the data analysis and other community involvement activities. There will potentially be graduate assistantship positions available to help with a variety of positions. PACE is still in the initial formative stages, but information will be sent out as it is available.

Dr. Foster presented the proposal for the graduate certificate in Nursing. It will take two to four semesters to complete this certificate. The candidates will need to possess both a BSN and a MSN degree before they would be eligible to complete the program. The certificate will be offered starting fall 2014. The courses of the certificate program and the MSN degree program are the same but the practicum would be only one hour for the certificate. There are nursing certificate models that already exist at other institutions. The certificate will be 10 hours. A motion to approve the graduate certificate in nursing was made by McIlwain, seconded by Deckner, and approved by the Committee.

Dr. Deckner reviewed the updates to the graduate faculty workload policy proposal. Several suggestions to the text were made to the documents. A final version of the document will be sent to the Committee an electronic vote. It was noted that the document will be forwarded to the Deans Council for review in mid-summer semester.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor