Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes March 16, 2015

Members Present: Robert A. Vaughan, Jr. (Chair), Craig Hill, Victoria Foster, R. B. Rosenburg, Mari Roberts, Tom McIlwain, Ruth Caillouet (for Dennis Attick), Ali Dadpay, Christopher Raridan (also attending for Jufang Qu), Richard Pearce-Moses, Susan Ashford, Michelle Furlong, Sam Maddox, Elliot Krop, Susan Copeland, Jason Davis and Kelli Nipper, and Celeste Walley-Jean.

Members Not Present: Patricia Smith and Charles Elfer

Guests: Anthony Giovannitti, Melanie Poudevigne, and Chris Pitsikoulis

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m.

The minutes from December 8, 2014 and January 12, 2015 Graduate Affairs Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve each of the minutes was made by Foster and approved by the Committee.

The Committee reviewed the Graduate Faculty applications listed below:

Terri Summers (Ph.D.), College of Health (Affiliate) – recommendation to approve was made by Krop, seconded by Dadpay, approved by the Committee.

The Graduate Affairs membership policy was briefly discussed and a motion to approve the policy was made by Dadpay, seconded by Walley-Jean and approved by the committee.

The MSN FNP courses were tabled until a future meeting so they can be reviewed by the new College of Health curriculum committee.

Dr. Giovannitti discussed the course proposal for MAED 6010: Teaching in Higher Education. This course will prepare students to teach college level mathematics. It is not part of the Master of Arts in Teaching coursework and will be offered as an elective. A motion to approve the course was made by Maddox, seconded by Dadpay, and approved by the committee.

Drs. Giovannitti and Nipper presented the proposal for a mathematics badge. The badge is for individuals who possess a master degree, but want to complete additional mathematics coursework. The badge is two additional courses beyond the master degree program. A motion to approve the badge was made by Walley-Jean, seconded by Foster, and approved by the committee.

The committee discussed several additions to the Graduate Faculty membership policy. Dr. Vaughan indicated he would prepare a draft of the proposed changes for the committee to review at the next meeting.

The last semester enrollment discussion was tabled until a policy could be developed and presented to the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m. Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor