**Graduate Council Meeting**

**March 25, 2016**

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**Minutes  
(approved 4/22/16)**

**Faculty Present:**  D. Balfour, J. Barry, A. Booth, A. Bostrom, S. Choudhuri, M. Harris, B. Harvey for B. Martin, L. Huang, C. Leiras, V. Long, D. Mitchell, P. Ratliff-Miller, G. Schymik, M. Staves, S. Wu

**Administrative Ex-Officio Present:** B. Cole, I. Fountain, T. James-Heer, S. Lipnicki, M. Luttenton, J. Potteiger, S. Soman

**Elected Students Present:** A. DePree, J. Fuller

**Ex-Officio Students Present**: J. Lawton, B. Showerman

**GSA Officers Present:** F.Lawrence,L. Presutti

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| **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION/DECISION** |
| **I. Call to Order** | C. Leiras called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. |  |
| **II. Approval of Agenda** |  | **Motion:** J. Barry moved to approve the agenda. M. Staves seconded. Motion passed unanimously. |
| **III. Approval of Minutes February 26, 2016** |  | **Motion:** P. Ratliff-Miller moved to approve the minutes of February 26, 2016. M. Staves seconded. Motion passed unanimously. |
| **IV. Chair’s Report – C. Leiras** | The Award of Two or More Graduate Degrees at the Same Level and Responsible Conduct of Research Training Policy were passed by ECS and are on the UAS agenda this afternoon. The New Programs Council is meeting next week and will review the prospectus for a new master’s degree in athletic training. C. Leiras is working on an end-of-year report for UAS. A preliminary report is due to UAS at the beginning of April and the final report is due at the beginning of May. The report will be available for Graduate Council review at the April meeting prior to the final submission to UAS. |  |
| **V. Curriculum Subcommittee Report – M. Staves** | The Dr.OT proposals were reviewed and feedback was provided to the authors. The GC-CC reviewed Aud.D proposals for the second time and have provided feedback. New proposals in the queue include SLP, History, Criminal Justice, and Business. |  |
| **VI. Policy Subcommittee Report – A. Booth** | Award of Two or More Graduate Degrees at the Same Level This policy was reviewed by ECS and sent back to the Graduate Council for revisions. Some wording was revised to clarify the policy. It was recommended that when the policy goes before ECS, it should be presented with data/potential scenarios to demonstrate how it would affect programs with higher and lower credit hour requirements.  Graduate Academic Policy on Bachelor’s/Graduate Combined Degree Programs Revisions to the draft policy included removing Section 5.b, and revisions to Section 5.a., Section 6, Section 2f, Section 7 as an amendment to the GC-PC’s motion, and Section 4.a.iv.  Graduate Academic Policy on Graduate/Graduate Combined Degree Programs This policy will be revised to make the language consistent with the Graduate Academic Policy on Bachelor’s/Graduate Combined Degree Programs, specifically Section 2f, Section 5a, and Section 4. | **Motion:** The Policy Subcommittee moved to approve the Award of Two or More Graduate Degrees at the Same Level Policy. Motion passed unanimously.  **Motion**: J. Barry moved to remove Section 5.b. from the draft policy. A. Bostrom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.  **Motion:** G. Schymik moved to revise Section 5.a. M. Staves seconded. Motion passed unanimously.  **Motion:** M. Staves moved to revise Section 6. A. Bostrom seconded. Motion passed with 4 abstentions.  **Motion:** J. Barry moved to revise Section 2F. D. Balfour seconded. Motion passed with 1 abstention.  **Motion:** A. Bostrom moved to revise Section 4.a.iv. M. Staves seconded. Motion passed unanimously.  **Motion:** The Policy Subcommittee moved to approve the amended Graduate Academic Policy on Bachelor’s/Graduate Combined Degree Programs. Motion passed unanimously.  **Motion:** The Policy Subcommittee moved to approve the amended Graduate Academic Policy on Graduate/Graduate Combined Degree Programs. Motion passed unanimously. |
| **VII. GSA Report – L. Presutti** | New officers for the 2016-17 academic year were elected: President, F. Lawrence, Vice-President, K. Christopher, Finance Officer, B. Harvey, Administration Officer, J. Lawton, and Communications Officer, R. Bhurtel. The new officers will attend the April Graduate Council meeting. The intent of the early elections is to allow a transition period. The GSA is holding an E-board retreat on Saturday, April 2. |  |
| **VIII. Dean’s Report – J. Potteiger** | No report. |  |
| **IX. Old/New Business** | No old/new business. |  |
| **X. Adjournment** |  | **Motion:** A. Bostrom moved to adjourn. J. Barry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:53 AM. |