Clayton State University Graduate Affairs Committee

Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 9, 2019

Committee Members Present: J. Celeste Walley-Jean (Presiding), D. Attick, K. Cambell, S. Copeland, R. Fuqua, J. Kitchens, S. Maddox, C. Magnant (by phone), T. Mcllwain (also serving as proxy for M. Stegall), E. Nagel, K. Nipper, and G. Nteff

Committee Members Absent: R. Gmeiner, A. Kurt, M. Stegall (has a proxy), D. Wells (has a proxy), and T. Womack

Guests: L. Adams, N. Gauge (member or guest?), J. Meddaugh (also serving as proxy for D.Wells), C. Parker, and C. Wise

Agenda Item		Discussion	GAC Action/Resolution/Tasks
	Called to order at 2:05		
1)	Reading & Approval of Minutes		Move to approve minutes made and seconded. Motion carried
2)	Old Business		No old business to discuss
3)	New Business a) Graduate Faculty Applications (Note: Please ensure applications are complete before submission) i) New: (1) Antoinette France-Harris (CAS) (2) Natasha Hutson (CAS) ii) Renewals: None b) Graduate Assistantship Policy & Procedures	a) New faculty application of Dr. France-Harris and Dr. Hutson b) There are three main types of Assistantships: Teaching, Research, and Assistant (administrative). The eligibility has not changed. New Grad students, without any previous Graduate courses, do not need to adhere to the 3.0 GPA requirement. International students being hired for an Assistantship required additional paperwork. Therefore, their deadlines are moved up to allowing time for processing.	a) Unanimous application approval b) Every member is expected to review Graduate Assistantship Policies & Procedures forms. Program Directors are expected to approve all Graduate Assistantships. (Including Assistantships offered by another department.) Directors should ask their Deans, who is responsible for submitting the forms to SoGS.
		Tuition Waivers: By March 1 st , Provost will announce the number of waivers each academic college will receive.	Dr. Walley-Jean will double check the Submission Deadlines and adjust accordingly.

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	There are no automatic Out-of-State waivers. Individual College's will determine how their waivers will be issued and requirements of eligibility.	Dr. Walley-Jean will check for the proper timeline/deadline to post open Assistantships in Laker Career Zone. Dr. Walley-Jean will send out
	Hard deadlines, for paperwork submissions, are set before the first Student Fee Payment deadline to ensure funds are applied to tuition.	revisions to everyone including Deans.
	Colleges should not post Assistantship openings on Laker Career Zone if they will be used for recruitment or to be given to a particular person.	
	Full tuition waiver students need proof of health insurance or be enrolled in the CSU mandatory health insurance.	
c) Discussion: Guidelines for Commencement Speaker Nominations	c) Currently, there are no formal guidelines for nominating Commencement Speakers. Any questions or concerns about the process should be brought to Dr. Walley-Jean, who will forward them to Jim Flowers.	c) Dr. Walley-Jean will ask if "note-worthy" local community figures, or persons with ties to a particular industry, are suitable for nomination.
	If persons, other than CSU faculty, are selected for nomination, they must be reputable, encourage safe space, justifiable, and "noteworthy".	
d) Report from Ad Hoc Committee: i) Ad Hoc Committee on Alternatives to TOEFLL/IETLS	d) E3PT is an internet based alternative test. It is cheaper, quicker, easier to administer, and is used in six other reputable colleges/universities.	d) Committees i) The Ad Hoc Committee is asked to see what the cut scores are for the colleges that use E3PT testing. This information can be informally sent to Dr. Walley-Jean.

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4) Announcements		No additional Announcements
5) Adjournment		Adjourned at 2:46

