

Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes
May 12, 2014

Members Present: Robert A. Vaughan, Jr. (Chair), Deborah Deckner, Elliot Krop, Craig Hill, Victoria Foster, R. B. Rosenburg, Richard Pearce-Moses, Mari Roberts, Tom McIlwain, Jennell Charles, Patricia Smith, Susan Copeland, Kelli Nipper, and Celeste Walley-Jean.

Members Not Present: Ali Dadpay, Christopher Raridan, Susan Ashford, and Dennis Attick

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

The minutes from April 14, 2014 Graduate Affairs Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Deckner and approved by the Committee.

The Committee reviewed the Graduate Faculty applications listed below:

- Andrew Kurt (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Full) – recommendation to approve was made by Rosenburg, seconded by Pearce-Moses, approved by the Committee.
- Joshua Meddaugh (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Associate) – recommendation to approve was made by Rosenburg, seconded by Foster, approved by the Committee.
- Kathryn Kemp (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Affiliate: 1 year appointment) – recommendation to approve was made by Rosenburg, seconded by Roberts, approved by the Committee.

A motion to approve the Graduate Faculty Workload Policy was made by McIlwain, seconded by Smith, and approved by the Committee.

A motion to approve the changes to the Master of Arts in Teaching degree program and the addition of a history concentration was made by McIlwain, seconded by Walley-Jean, and approved by the Committee.

A motion to approve the HIST 5601 course proposal was made by McIlwain, seconded by Walley-Jean, and approved by the Committee.

The Family Nurse Practitioner concentration proposal was sent for an electronic vote. The proposal was passed by a majority of the members.

Dr. Vaughan discussed the low graduate faculty participation at the spring semester graduate hooding ceremony. Numerous members expressed concerns

that the hooding was not a part of the commencement ceremonies. Dr. Vaughan indicated he would express the committees concerns about incorporating the hooding in Commencement. The issue will be discussed at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.
Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor