Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes

March 26, 2018

Members Present: Robert A. Vaughan, Jr. (Chair), Celeste Walley-Jean, Marcy Butler, Josh Kitchens, MeriBeth Stegall, Fran Norflus, James Smith, Erin Nagel, Thomas McIlwain, Kelli Nipper, Mari Banks, Andrea Allen, Susan Copeland, Grace Nteff, Chris Raridan for Michael Dancs

Members Not Present: Craig Hill, Patricia Smith, Emily Harbert, Charles Elfer, Dennis Attick

Guests: George Nakos and Heather Chaney

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

The minutes from January 22, 2018 Graduate Affairs Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes made by Kitchens, seconded by Copeland and approved by the Committee.

The committee reviewed the graduate faculty applications below:

Dr. Obi Comfort, College of Health (Associate): motion to approve by McIlwain, seconded by Stegall, approved by committee.

Dr. Keith Miller, College of Business (Full): motion to approve by Kitchens, seconded by Walley-Jean, approved by committee.

Dr. Nakos presented the MBA International Business Concentration and General MBA proposals. The Global Management course was tabled until a syllabus is submitted. The General MBA allows a student to take any three courses rather than concentration specific courses. A motion to approve the general MBA concentration made by Banks, seconded by Kitchens, and approved by the Committee.

Dr. Vaughan explained the Provost wants a group to examine the graduate assistantship process in an effort to devise uniform university policies. Susan Copeland, Mari Banks, and Celeste Walley-Jean volunteered to be on this committee.

Dr. Nteff informed the committee on changes to NURS 6610. Those students going to Augusta University for the DNP program took the course for three hours and all other students took the course for two hours. The School of Nursing is changing this requirement so all students will take the course for two hours. They will let Augusta State University know our students will be lacking one hour. Once Augusta State University is notified of the change, the School of Nursing will change the course to two hours.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor