

Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes
November 9, 2015

Members Present: Robert Vaughan (chair), Celeste Walley-Jean, Charlie Harris, Susan Copeland, Craig Hill, Reza Kheirandish, Victoria Foster, Jason Davis, Judith Ogden, Thomas McIlwain, Erin Nagel, Joshua Kitchens, Melanie Poudevigne, Mari Roberts.

Members Not Present: Elliot Krop, Chris Raridan, JunFeng Qu, Patricia Smith, Charles Elfer, Samuel Maddox, Kelli Nipper, Dennis Attick, Emily Harbert

Guest: Barbara Goodman

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

The minutes from October 19, 2015 Graduate Affairs Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by McIlwain and approved by the Committee.

The Committee reviewed the Graduate Faculty applications listed below:

- Mark Daddona (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Science (Full) – recommendation to approve was made by McIlwain, seconded by Foster, approved by the Committee.
- Brian Amsden (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Full) – recommendation to approve was made by McIlwain, seconded by Walley-Jean, approved by the Committee.
- Mark Watson (Ph.D.), College of Arts and Sciences (Full) – recommendation to approve was made by Walley-Jean, seconded by McIlwain, approved by the Committee.
- George Nakos (Ph.D.), College of Business (Full) – electronic vote approved by a quorum of the Committee members.
- Reza Kheirandish (Ph.D.), College of Business (Full) – electronic vote approved by a quorum of the Committee members.
- Mario Norman (Ph.D.), College of Business (Full) – electronic vote approved by a quorum of the Committee members.
- Keith Miller (Ph.D.), College of Business (Associate) – electronic vote approved by a quorum of the Committee members.
- Marcus Gaddis (Ph.D.), College of Business (Affiliate) – electronic vote approved by a quorum of the Committee members.

Susan Copeland presented the Graduate Director Job responsibilities subcommittee report. The committee reviewed the proposed changes and made several suggestions. The suggested changes will be incorporated and presented at a future meeting.

Susan Copeland and Barbara Goodman discussed the 4 + 1 English degree proposal. The proposal is a change in the delivery method but is not a change in the program. The proposal does not have to have SACS approval. A motion to approve the proposal was made by McIlwain, seconded by Copeland, and approved by the Committee.

Robert Vaughan reminded everyone the next Graduate Open House is November 12.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.
Submitted by Elizabeth Taylor