

# *Graduate and Research Council Meeting*

## *Minutes*

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

UC 310 ° 3:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Pinder at 3:30 p.m.

**Members in attendance:** Assad, Baker, Barrass, Barrett-Wiggins, Cervelli, Cox, Dennis, Evans, Hardin, Kenaston-French, Knickmeyer, Moore, Parcels, Truhon, Zieren. Excused: Weber

### Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made to approve the minutes from September 17, 2008. Motion by Barrett; second by Parcels. Motion passed.

### New Business:

- 1) Course Proposals – Health and Human Performance: Moore presented a handout to the committee that outlined the current HHP program versus the proposed program. Three proposals were submitted that included 1) Termination of the Public and Community Health concentration; 2) Offer the Health Leadership concentration, Health Administration option totally on-line, and 3) Add Public Health Education option and the Health Administration option to the Health Leadership Concentration. Moore indicated that the proposal was a consensus by the HHP department. Motion was made to accept the HHP curriculum proposals as submitted. Motion by Parcels; second by Barrass. Motion passed.
- 2) Course Proposals – School of Education: Hardin explained no new courses were being added and the proposals were submitted only to make corrections due to Banner conversion. The conversion created false messages for co-requisites and pre-requisites for some courses. The Banner conversion required that each course be re-evaluated to correct the error message to students when registering. Motion to accept course proposal as submitted. Motion by Barrett; second by Parcels. Motion passed.
- 3) Course Proposals – History & Philosophy: Zieren indicated that the proposal was submitted to fill a gap in the curriculum. The course offering will be on-line. The department was fortunate to identify a qualified adjunct faculty member who would instruct the course. Motion to accept the course proposal as submitted. Motion by Barrass; second by Parcels. Motion passed.
- 4) Graduate Education Week: April 1, 2009: Pinder gave background information about the significance of Graduate Education Week (GEW) and its purpose to showcase research of all disciplines. The event will occur during the first week of April. Pinder asked if any departments will participate. Barrass indicated that the Biology department had a conflict with those dates due to the Land Between The Lakes Symposium but will check with the department before he committed to participate.

**Old Business:**

- 1) RODP MPS Program – Concentrations Training and Development and Human Resources Leadership - *Reconsider*: Pinder indicated that the RODP MPS Programs was on the table for discussion and possible reconsideration of the failed motion previously voted by the committee. Evans submitted documentation for review by the committee. Cox and Evans spoke in support of the program and the need to submit GRC's final decision to TBR. Motion to reconsider the failed motion of the RODP Proposed New Graduate Concentrations Training and Development and Human Resources Leadership to the MPS Program on February 20, 2008 and accept proposals as presented. Motion by Evans; second by Cox. 14 yes; 0 no's; 2 abstention. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding the distribution of funds to departments that offer courses in RODP ensued. Motion was made to request that Pinder request a RODP representative to present a formal report of the advantages and the financial gain or benefits to various programs. Motion by Parcels; second by Hardin. Motion passed.

- 2) Graduate Student Assessment Survey and the Constitution for GRC were tabled.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

June D. Lee  
Secretary to the Dean