Graduate Council Meeting
MINUTES

Attendees:

COB  □ Dr. Monica Hernandez  ✓ Dr. Joseph Mollick  ✓ Dr. Alexandra Theodossiou
COEHD ✓ Dr. Corinne Valadez  ✓ Dr. Frank Spaniol  ✓ Dr. Lynn Hemmer
CLA  □ Dr. David Gurney  ✓ Dr. Charles Etheridge  □
CONHS ✓ Dr. Yolanda Keys  ✓ Dr. Pamela Greene  ✓ Dr. Sara Baldwin
CSE ✓ Dr. Chris Bird  ✓ Dr. Dulal Kar  □ Dr. David Felix
CGS  □ Dr. JoAnn Canales  ✓ Dr. Thomas Naehr  ✓ Dr. Steve Seidel
Ex-officio ✓ Dr. Catherine Rudowsky

I. Approval of Minutes from March 09 meeting

The March 09 minutes were approved with one abstention.

II. Reports and Updates

A. Graduate Council Chair – Dr. Charles Etheridge

Dr. Etheridge stated that he drafted Graduate Council recommendations for review and discussion by the Council (see Section III).

B. CGS Updates – Dr. Thomas Naehr

Dr. Naehr reminded the Council members that Morgan Beard has left TAMU-CC. To facilitate the transition until her replacement can be hired, CGS has been able to retain her at 25% for now.

Dr. Naehr also reminded the Council members of the upcoming Graduate Student Appreciation Week (April 03 through 07).

C. Committee Reports

i. Curriculum – Dr. Corinne Valadez

1. Discussion item: Review of stacked courses

Dr. Valadez stated that the subcommittee has developed a procedure for review of stacked courses. Council members asked for more time to review the draft. The document will be presented for a vote at the April 13 meeting.

2. GSEN Name change request

The subcommittee recommended approval of the name change from “Geospatial Surveying Engineering” to “Geospatial Systems Engineering,” as requested by the program. The recommendation passed unanimously.

ii. Rules and Procedures – Dr. Joseph Mollick

1. Action item: Graduate Faculty recommendations
The subcommittee recommended approval of graduate faculty applications from CONHS, CLA, and CSE as outlined by the subcommittee.

Dr. Keys moved that CONHS faculty with graduate faculty status in the DNP program would be able to chair DNP committees. Dr. Hemmer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

After some discussion, the subcommittees recommendation to approve the pending graduate faculty applications as outlined by the subcommittee passed.

Dr. Valadez moved to re-open the vote on individuals who did not receive unanimous support by the subcommittee. Motion did not carry.

Dr. Etheridge had to leave the meeting at 2:20 p.m., appointing Dr. Keys as Chair pro-tem.

D. Liaison Reports
   i. ITDEC – Dr. Frank Spaniol
      No report – committee has not met.
   ii. Faculty Senate – Dr. Corinne Valadez
      Colleges are currently voting on new Senators.
      The Faculty Senate’s Executive Committee met with Chancellor Sharp during his visit to TAMU-CC.
   iii. Library – Dr. Catherine Rudowsky
      No updates.
   iv. International – Dr. Joseph Mollick
      No report – committee has not met.

III. Unfinished Business

Graduate Council recommendations to CDC and Faculty Senate by April 01

Graduate Council recommendations were discussed. Dr. Etheridge will revise the draft document for further discussion during the April 13 meeting.

IV. New Business

Procedure 12.99.99.C3.01 Designation of Graduate Faculty

Dr. Naehr gave some historical perspective on the evolution of the revisions to the document. Council members will review the proposed procedure for discussion during the April 13 meeting.

V. Matters Arising

Dr. Seidel proposed to draft a new procedure for the review of graduate award nominations to streamline the process. He will present a revised procedure for discussion during one of the next Council meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.