

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL FOR GRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES, Meeting 430

October 2, 2015

2:00 p.m., 260 University Center

PRESENT: R. Kreuz (CAS), R. Dupont (CJUS), J. Scraba (ENGL), Q. Chu (FIR), A. Okunade (ECON), T. de Velasco (COMM), G. Myatt (ART), V. Morris (EDU), D. Strohmer (CEPR), R. Meier (CIVL), C. Preza (EECE), D. WARK (SCSD), L. Weiss (SHS), G. Shiba (NURSE), M. Levy (SPH), B. Akey (UCOLL), J. Berman (FS), J. Dhaliwal (Graduate School), J. Kierulff (Graduate School)

ABSENT: G. Emmert (CHEM)(proxy: R. Kreuz), L. Brooks (FCBE)(proxy: Q. Chu), M. Logan (CCFA)(proxy: T. de Velasco), J. Byford (ICL), W. Haggard (ENGR)(proxy: R. Meier), S. Lee (NURSE), K. Sisson (UCOLL)(proxy: B. Akey), K. Duckett (GSA)

GUESTS:

J. Dhaliwal opened the meeting at 2:07 p.m. when a quorum was attained.

430.1: R. Meier moved (2/A. Okunade) to approve the minutes from UCGS meeting #429, held on September 4, 2015. The motion was carried by voice vote.

430.2: D. Wark announced to the council that the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders will be offering a course in accent modification. It is aimed to help those students that do not pass the SPEAK test. It is a one credit hour course that will be offered at the 4000 level and 6000 level.

430.4: R. Meier moved (2/M. Levy) to approve changing the name of the School of Nursing to the College of Nursing. The motion was carried by voice vote.

430.5: B. Akey moved (2/L. Weiss) to approve the changes to Graduate School policies that were recommended by the Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies Task Force. The motion was carried by voice vote.

430.6: R. Kreuz moved (2/ R. Meier) to approve the changes recommended by the Electronic Thesis/Dissertation Task Force. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Letter of Notification for a Doctoral degree in Nursing Practice: J. Dhaliwal informed the council that a Letter of Notification has been developed for the proposed Doctoral degree in Nursing Practice. There was some discussion regarding the creation of this degree. G. Shiba and J. Dhaliwal answered the council members' questions. G. Shiba moved (2/ M. Levy) to approve the Letter of Notification regarding the proposed Doctoral degree in Nursing Practice.

430.7: J. Dhaliwal announced that the Graduate School has relocated to the FedEx Institute of Technology, suite 201. He noted that he wants graduate students to consider the FIT their home.

430.8: J. Dhaliwal thanked the council members for their hard work during the recruitment fair. M. Levy noted that the marketing of the event was great.

430.9: J. Kierulff announced that there will be two program leader sessions on October 8 and October 16 to introduce the program leaders to the new application system.

430.3: L. Griggs presented the council with the many benefits associated with obtaining a new application system. Essentially, a new application system will make Graduate Admissions more efficient, more marketable, and more competitive. J. Dhaliwal announced that funding for a new application system has been approved. A decision has not been made on which application system will be selected. He noted that an implementation committee will be formed and a selection made by the end of October.

430.10: J. Kierulff presented the council with an overview of the GRE Search Service. Balaji Krishnan provided the council with his experience using the GRE Search Service. J. Dhaliwal noted that there are many search services that exist and it is not always clear which are good, legitimate options. He asked the council members to let him know if they come across a service that will benefit everyone.

J. Dhaliwal informed the council he anticipates a 2% decrease to the Graduate Assistantship budget.

430.12: J. Dhaliwal announced that the Graduate School will be purchasing polo shirts for all of the UCGS members.

430.11: J. Dhaliwal informed the council that automation of the Graduate Faculty Status application system is nearly complete.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mary Kyle.