

1 Meeting Minutes of the Graduate Council

2
3 March 10, 2020

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5 Members Present: T. Cline (ARCH), H. Damico (CODI), G. Davis (KNES), F. Del Favero (EDFL), Eric Ferré
6 (GEOL), J. Geer (ENGL), A. Ibrahim (MS COUE), S. Kahn (ACCT), D. Khey (CJUS), A. Latiolais (ARCH), C.
7 Lenahan (NURS), R. Mielusel (MODL), M. Mokhtari (PETE), C. Parker (HIST), A. Petculescu (PHYS), C.
8 Roche-Wallace (MUS), H. Stone (EDCI), B. Wade (MATH), D. White-Jefferson (NURS), M. Zappi (CHEE), J.
9 Miller (MS PHYS M.), Farmer-Kaiser (ex-officio)

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11 Members Absent: A. Barhorst (MCHE), P. Lanier (MGMT), C. Matherne (MGMT), J. Lemoine (NURS)

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13 M. Farmer-Kaiser called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

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15 Motion made to accept the February 11, 2020 meeting minutes with corrections. Motion seconded and
16 carried.

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18 **Presentation of Applicants to Candidacy**

19 M. Farmer-Kaiser requested permission from the Graduate Council to approve late doctoral applicants
20 for candidacy so that they can be included in the doctoral candidacy recognition ceremony as part of
21 Graduate Student Appreciation Week. Motion made to allow the Dean of the Graduate School to
22 approve late doctoral candidacy applicants as well as to accept presentation of applicants to candidacy.
23 Motion seconded and carried.

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25 **Save the Date: April Graduate Council Meeting**

26 M. Farmer-Kaiser reminded the Graduate Council that the next meeting will be held on the 7th of April to
27 accommodate spring break.

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29 **Committee Reports**

30 Student Appeals – No report

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32 Curriculum Committee – A report, with action sheet, was submitted to the Graduate School by S. Young
33 stating that in March, the Curriculum Committee reviewed 9 course change forms and that 8 were
34 approved with no changes and 1 was recommended for approval with changes. No courses were
35 declined by the committee. Motion made to accept the report. Motion seconded and carried.

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37 Fellowships Committee – No report. M. Farmer-Kaiser announced that there will be an invitation-only
38 lunch with both past and current university fellows who have not yet graduated to discuss the creation
39 of a community of fellows.

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41 Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – No report.

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43 **Old Business**

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45 **Update on New Awards**

46 M. Farmer-Kaiser reported on the applicants to the masters mentor award, as well as the two teaching
47 assistantship awards. She added that she would like to see the Graduate Council select outstanding
48 mentors at the doctoral and masters level regionally so that they can be nominated for regional awards,

1 including those at the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools.

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3 **New Business**

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5 **Upcoming Graduate Student Appreciation Week Dates**

6 P. de Mahy discussed the upcoming events for Graduate Student Appreciation Week and asked that
7 faculty encourage their students to participate. M. Farmer-Kaiser asked that members of the Graduate
8 Council make it a priority to attend the doctoral candidacy recognition ceremony where students will be
9 pinned by their doctoral chair.

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11 Motion made to adjourn at 2:27. Motion seconded and carried