

## **Graduate Council**

**September 4, 2014 @ 3:30pm in A302**

Members Present: Dr. Paula Allen, Dr. Larry Prather, Dr. Lawrence Silver, Dr. Charles Weiner (chair), Dr. Jerry Stout, Dr. Kimberly Donovan, Dr. CW Von Bergen, Dr. Stanley Rice, Dr. Teresa Golden, and Dean Bryon Clark (ex officio).

Members Absent: Dr. Wayne Jones and Dr. Stanley Alluisi.

Dean Clark stated that when an appeal is submitted by a student, if there is any implication of discrimination, harassment, medical disability, etc., the Graduate Council has to stay the appeal until it is investigated by the appropriate body on campus. Once that body does its investigation, it will relay its findings back to the Graduate Council, which can then continue to hear the appeal.

Student submitted a Graduate Appeal because student has two classes that will be over the 6 year time limit when student graduates in Summer 2015. The classes are not obsolete and are taught the same way as when she took them. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Allen and seconded by Dr. Prather. All approved.

Dr. Stacy Weger and Dr. Jeri Walker presented the Master of Music Education program. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Silver and seconded by Dr. Prather. All approved.

An application for Nomination to Graduate Faculty temporary status for Dena Rymel was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Stout and seconded by Dr. Donovan. All approved.

Student submitted an appeal for acceptance of courses outside the 6 year time limit. First motion was to waive the 6 year rule. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Prather and seconded by Dr. Von Bergen. All approved. Second motion was an extension until July 2016. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Allen and seconded by Dr. Prather. All approved.

Student submitted an appeal for acceptance of courses outside the 6 year time limit. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Donovan and seconded by Dr. Silver. All approved. The reason for the exception to the 6 year rule and waiver is due to an advising error.

A submission was made by Dr. Matthews to suspend the Mathematics Specialist program. A motion to suspend the program was made by Dr. Von Bergen and seconded by Dr. Golden. All approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Review of graduate faculty needs to be completed as soon as possible. The individuals who have never been reviewed will be heard and voted on at the next meeting. The Graduate Office will contact the Graduate Faculty members who are due for a review and instruct them to provide documentation for review. Everything will be ready to go by the next meeting to be reviewed. The supporting documentation will be posted to Blackboard.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Standing meetings will be on the first Thursday of the month at 3:30 pm for the semester in A302.

Dr. Rice requested clarification on the re-admittance of a student. Dean Clark indicated there was a collective decision made by administrators to override the Graduate Council's decision due to extenuating circumstances and also close to graduating. There was a request made that subsequent to an overturned decision, the Graduate Council be notified of the decision.

If a program wishes to implement a policy regarding the consequence(s) for cheating, the policy needs to come before Graduate Council before implementation.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Von Bergen and seconded by Dr. Silver. The meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m.