

Graduate Faculty Meeting Minutes

4:00 pm, Monday, May 03, 2021
Zoom

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm

1. Approval of Minutes from December 07, 2020 Meeting
 - D. Oerther moved to approve; G. Markowsky seconded. No discussion; Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
2. Approval of Spring 2021 Commencement List (Including exception made by Registrar to award one Master of Business Administration Degree in December 2020, after Graduate Faculty and General Faculty had voted on the Fall 2020 Graduation List)
 - G. Markowsky moved to approve; D. Oerther seconded. No discussion; Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
3. Graduate Faculty Reappointment Vote
 - Twelve full and two associate membership; G. Markowsky moved to approve; D. Oerther seconded. No discussion; Unanimous approval by secret ballot via anonymous Qualtrics survey link
4. Motion Approved by Graduate Council on February 03, 2021 to Include the Vice Provost of Enrollment Management as an Ex officio Member of the Graduate Faculty
 - No discussion; Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
5. Motion Approved by Graduate Council on February 03, 2021 Recommending that the Graduate Faculty Concur with their Objection of the Proposal to Subject the Graduate Faculty to a Subordinate Position as a Standing Committee of the Faculty Senate (See Attached Email)
 - No discussion; Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
6. Motion Approved by Graduate Council on April 07, 2021 to Adjust the Deadline for Admittance to the Grad Track Pathway (Recommended to be no later than 30 days prior to the **end of** semester or **end of** session that the student completes the undergraduate degree)
 - J. Wang amended the language to clarify “end of” semester or “end of” session
 - Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
7. Motion Approved by Graduate Council on April 07, 2021 to Modify Master’s Admission for Grad Track Pathway Students from “Semester” to “Semester/Session” Immediately Following Awarding of Bachelor’s Degree (to allow for admission in a summer session)
 - No discussion; Unanimous approval by yes votes via Zoom
8. Elections for Faculty Standing Committees
 - Budgetary Affairs: Jeffrey Winiarz elected by secret ballot via anonymous Qualtrics survey link
 - Personnel: Matt Insall elected by secret ballot via anonymous Qualtrics survey link

9. Elections for Graduate Faculty President and Secretary for 2021-2022

- President: Matt Insall; Secretary: Dan Oerther elected by secret ballot via anonymous Qualtrics survey link

10. Informational Items with no further discussion

11. New Business

- G. Markowsky raised a concern about the requirement for international graduate students to enroll in a single credit hour during summertime as part of CPT credit
- C. Tsatsoulis responded that this was a requirement that arose from the visa status of international graduate students where CPT requires academic credit
- C. Tsatsoulis offered to arrange a meeting between the graduate council and the office of international affairs
- C. Tsatsoulis invited S. Matson to provide clarification, and S. Matson confirmed that this is a request coming from the office of international affairs
- C. Kim indicated that he has made multiple requests for clarification, but has not received sufficient clarification
- C. Kim raised concern regarding how to grade academic credit for CPT with industry
- M. Insall will work with C. Tsatsoulis to organize a special meeting of the Graduate Council at which time the director of the Office of International Affairs will be invited to clarify OPT, CPT, and academic credit for CPT

Meeting adjourned at 4:48 pm