

Graduate Council Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, February 03, 2021, Noon to 1:00 PM

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1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes from November 04, 2020 Meeting
3. Nominations will be Requested Soon via Email for the 2020-21 Outstanding Contributions to Graduate Studies and Graduate Staff Excellence Awards
4. Graduate Faculty Membership Renewals
 - Those expiring in 2021 must reapply either by March 1 (for May vote) or October 4 (for December vote). Email reminders will be forthcoming.
5. Update on Graduate Student Bill of Rights Ad Hoc Committee
 - Current members: C. R. Kueny, S. Fayek, Adrienne Neckermann. Dr. Insall will be requesting additional members. (Recommended to include members from Title IX, etc.)
6. Should the Rules and Regulations be Modified to Include Vice Provost of Enrollment Management as Ex officio Member of Graduate Faculty?
 - Clarification as Requested: Initial request was for Graduate Council membership, which is not possible as there are no ex officio members of that group. Should this position be added to the fixed invited guest list for Graduate Council meetings? Also, should this position receive ex officio membership to the Graduate Faculty?
7. Faculty Senate has entertained the notion of including the Graduate Faculty as a “standing committee” of the Faculty Senate.
 - Whereas CRR 300.030 Faculty Bylaws specify in Section D. Faculty Organizations that the primary functional unit of the faculty is the Department, and for governing purposes the faculty is further organized into the General Faculty, the Graduate Faculty, the Faculty Senate, Standing Committees, Judicial Committees, and Special Programs.

And whereas the responsibility and authority of the Graduate Faculty enumerated in Section D, Paragraph 3, Subparagraph d. specifically mentions the General Faculty, but not the Faculty Senate.

And whereas the Officers of the Graduate Faculty have become aware of discussions by members of the Faculty Senate to propose a modification of CRR 300.030 thereby placing the Graduate Faculty as a Standing Committee of the Faculty Senate.

Now therefore, the Graduate Council objects to any such change in the current organizational structure of the faculty that would subject the Graduate Faculty to a subordinate position as a Standing Committee of the Faculty Senate.

And furthermore, the Graduate Council recommends that the Graduate Faculty concur with the objection of the Graduate Council, and join the Graduate Council in voicing opposition to any proposal by the Faculty Senate that would subject the Graduate Faculty to a subordinate position as a Standing Committee of the Faculty Senate.

8. New Business