

# Graduate Faculty Meeting Minutes

Carver/Turner Room, Havener Center

4:00pm Monday, December 1, 2025

Present: Lijun Jiang, Jeffrey Winiarz, Katherine Sharp, Melanie Mormile, Francisca Oboh Ikuenobe, Irina Ivliyeva, Randy Moss, Autumn Frazier, John Harris, Sahra Sedigh Sarvestani, Greg Tschumper, Dan Stutts, Tayfun, Haiming Wen, Jade Sinnott, Dan Stuffs, En-Chih Liu, Sharon Matson

President L. Jiang called the meeting to order, 4:00 pm

1. Approval of Minutes from the May 5, 2025, Meeting - Motion to approve as written: Second: Approved
2. Approval of Fall 2025 Commencement List (sent via email)
  - a. Approved by a vote of the members in attendance.
3. Graduate Faculty Membership Vote for FS2025
  - a. 26 full and 4 associate memberships recommended for approval by the Membership Committee
  - b. Approved by a vote of the members in attendance.

Associate Memberships:

Ercal, Nuran

Showalter, William

Maimaitiyiming, Wumaier (NEW)

Moharam, Mahmoud (NEW)

Full Memberships:

Adekpedjou, Akim

Akin, Elvan

Al Dahhan, Muthanna

Bai, Baojun

Bryan, Eric

Corns, Steven

Epting, Shane

Erickson, Kelvin

Grubbs, Garry

Homan, Kelly

Le, Vy

Leu, Ming

Malone, Ed

Meagher, Michael

Nam, Paul

Paige, Robert

Park, Eun Soo

Schonberg, William

Shen, Ting

Smith, Jeffrey

Sutts, Daniel

Verble, Robin

Wang, Jee-Ching

Winiarz, Jeffrey

Wunsch, Donald

Yan, Guirong

4. Election for Standing Committee (Nominations listed below)
  - a. Budgetary Affairs - (One position available / Two-year term)
    - i. Amaury Lendasse (Engineering Management & Systems Engineering)
  - b. All nominations were approved by a vote of the members in attendance
5. Motion approved by Graduate Council on November 5, 2025
  - a. Recommendation of a 4% rate increase for Stipend X for the 2026-2027 academic year
  - b. The motions were approved by a vote of the Graduate Faculty members in attendance
6. New business
  - a. President Lijun reminded faculty that this is recruitment season for graduate students and encourages them to actively recruit outstanding PhD candidates, particularly domestic students, as companies are increasingly having difficulties offering jobs to international students.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.