



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2007

The Graduate Council met on Monday, April 9, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in room 311 of the Byrnes Building with Manton Matthews presiding.

Graduate Council Members Present: Drs. *William Bates, James Buggy, Christine Ebert, Joshua Gold, Manton Matthews, *Lynn Zoch.

Graduate Council Members Absent: Drs. Marianne Bickle, Naomi Farber, Gregory Hand, Zach Kelehear, Barry Markovsky, Jim O'Conner, William Rivers, Richard Schulz, *Christopher Tollefsen, Oggie Trifonov, and Irma Van Scoy.

Graduate School Representatives Present: James Buggy, Arleen Mahoney.

Provost Office Representative Present: None.

Visitors: Lisa Martin-Stewart, JoAnne Herman, Miriam Johnson, John McNutt

Note: These minutes will become final on May 23, if not challenged.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 26, 2007 MINUTES

The Graduate Council adopted the minutes of March 26, 2007, with minor corrections.

2. CHAIR'S REMARKS (MANTON MATTHEWS PRESIDING):

Note the passing of Dr. Anthony L. Edwards, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School, and the sense of loss to the university community.

3. REPORT OF THE GRADUATE DEAN (CHRIS EBERT):

The Graduate School is organizing a memorial service to be held at Rutledge Chapel 3pm, April 11. A Fellowship in Anthony's name is being established.

Graduate Student Day was a success in terms of quality of presentations and number of awards recognized. Selection of Graduate Incentive Fellowships is proceeding but the amount available has not yet been specified by Commission on Higher Education.

Dr. Buggy added that Associate Dean Dr. Stan Dubinsky was coordinating the Fellowship Committee. Graduate programs were notified of the final Graduate School Recruiting Fellowships awardees by email with a detailed announcement explaining the process where nominees not funded in an early round were held for consideration in later rounds. There are 20 nominations for four Trustee Fellowships, each in the amount of \$500.00, also under consideration with selections to be made soon.

Dr. Buggy also reported that ETS has suspended plans for a major change in GRE testing due to concerns over inadequate testing opportunities. Under the proposed testing format, the University of South Carolina Testing Center would have only been able to accommodate about 35 students for GRE testing in the upcoming year, approximately 1/10 of the total amount of tests taken in the past. ETS was invited to send a representative to visit USC to speak to Graduate Directors but they delayed until announcing the suspension of the proposed GRE.

4. **REPORT OF THE HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES, EDUCATION AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:**

JOSHUA GOLD reporting.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department of Theatre and Dance

New Course Proposal:

THEA 760 – Graduate Text Analysis (3) Analytical skills, a shared vocabulary, and techniques for interpreting the dramatic text for the purposes of staging and performance. For theatrical collaborators.

[Effective term: Fall 2007]

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Department of Educational Studies

Curriculum and Bulletin Change

Counselor Education ED.S.

(SEE CHANGE)

[Effective term: Fall 2007]

Department of Instruction and Teacher Education

*Notification of offering M. Ed. in Language and Literacy
100% through Distance Education*

Approved with the following changes –
Item #6 must be clarified;

Realistic dates of implementation;
Verify wording 'in part' on memo;
Eileen Trainer represents USC to CHE and will obtain
Provost's signature.

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COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

Curriculum and Bulletin Changes

MSW program – Returned to Committee

Course Change Proposals:

SOWK 761, 734, 733, 735 – Returned to Committee

New Course Proposal:

SOWK 736 – Returned to Committee

**5. REPORT OF SCIENCE, MATH AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
COMMITTEE:**

MANTON MATTHEWS reporting.

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Curriculum Change

Master of Science in Nursing for CHE Distance
Education Classification – Area of Emphasis coding
should be done

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6. REPORT OF THE PETITIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE: No Report

7. REPORT OF THE 500/600 LEVEL COURSES COMMITTEES:

JAMES BUGGY reporting.

At the April 6, 2007 meeting of the Committee on Curricula and Courses, the following 500-600 level courses were approved with input from Dr. Buggy and will be considered by Faculty Senate: THEA 530, 570, 571, 577, 578; LASP 501, 541; SPAN 501, 541; CSCS 552.

8. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS: No Report

9. OLD BUSINESS No Report

10. NEW BUSINESS: No Report

11. GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Graduate School will send Anthony's nameplate to his family.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

James Buggy, Secretary

c:

President Andrew A. Sorensen

Provost Mark P. Becker

Deans

Department Chairs

Graduate Directors

Barbara Blaney, University Registrar

Jodie Morris, Office of the Registrar

Gail Stephens, Office of the Registrar

Thom Harman, University Publications

Nancy Floyd, Office of Institutional Assessment and Compliance

*Replacement Member (2006-2007)