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Members Present: David May (Chair), Anne Blakeney, Reid Connelly, Karen Dilka, Hunter Hensley, MaryAnn Kolloff, Ellen Leichtman, Marcel Robles, Gary Potter, Judy Spain, John White

Office of Graduate Education and Research: Jerry Pogatshnik (Dean), Jaleh Rezaie, Nikki Kowalski, Tina Puckett

Member Not Present: David Blaylock, Vickie Sanchez (prior notice)

Visitor(s) Present: JoAnn Ewalt, Tom Schneid, Sharon Shasby

Graduate Council Minutes for Meeting Monday December 3, 2007 12:00 PM, SSB 549

I. MINUTES

Consideration of the minutes from October 1, 2007

Motion: Marcel Robles 2nd: Hunter Hensley [APPROVED]

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Pogatshnik and Dr. Rezaie made the following announcements:

- The Strategic planning committee will take part in a 1 ½ day Graduate Retreat after which they will have created a strategic plan for graduate education's progress over the next year and a half (and potentially longer with minor updates).
- The graduate school is shorthanded as of November 21 when Stefney Simpson left to pursue a different avenue in her career. Sandra Johnson and Sandy Wills will be doing their best to fill in the space left by Stefney during this very busy time of the school year.
- Recruitment workshop Jan. 31, 2008: All Grad Council, advisors, coordinators, deans, and chairs invited. Invitations will be sent.

III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- International students taking classes online need to have clear specifications of what will be required of them before they begin the program. Sometimes international students begin a program believing they will do all work online but then they are required to come to campus to take an exam or defend a thesis. This can cause tremendous problems if the student is unable to get a visa.
- After a lengthy discussion regarding the current graduate faculty status application forms, the council decided form an ad-hoc subcommittee to develop consensus regarding the nature of graduate faculty status from the council's perspective. Jaleh will work with Gary Potter, Anne Blakeney, and Karen Dilka to reach some kind of agreement regarding what the council feels should be graduate faculty status. Upon completion of that work, they will bring the ideas back to the council for discussion prior to engaging the larger campus community in a discussion of





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graduate faculty status. Jaleh agreed to create and monitor an electronic forum for faculty who could not attend the aforementioned forum(s) in person.

- The Graduate School would like faculty to discuss probationary and provisional status admission requirements to the graduate school. The GS recognizes that these are confusing terms and would like to work on improving and clarifying these. The current issue is that people have been using these statuses to circumvent needing to take the exams to be admitted. This leads to the second topic the GS would like faculty to consider: entrance exams. Entrance exams have many pros and cons which the GS would like to discuss including whether the exams are necessary and if so, what the appropriate scores for admission should be.
- David May will revise the GC's working rules to be current with the latest changes.
- The curriculum subcommittee requests the addition of a field on the curriculum form to reflect whether a program has received approval from a dept. for any courses used from that dept.

IV. STUDENT AFFAIRS

None

V. CURRICULUM

Curriculum & Instruction

Program Revision

- MA in Teaching

Motion: Subcommittee [TABLED] Need evidence that the other departments whose classes are being used in this course approve of their addition.

Health Sciences

Family & Consumer Sciences

Course Revision

- NFA 802

Motion: Subcommittee [APPROVED]

Occupational Therapy

Course Dropped

- OTS 802

New Course

- OTS 836

Motion: Subcommittee [APPROVED] Contingent on clarification of options.





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VI. GRADUATE FACULTY

Associate:

Name	Department	Terminal Degree
Naczi, Robert		PhD Botany

Motion: Subcommittee [DISAPPROVED] Not a member of EKU faculty

Full:

Name	Department	Next Review
Boden, Susan	Special Ed	NA

Motion: Subcommittee [DISAPPROVED] Need evidence of peer review

Name	Department	Next Review
Hubbard, Charlotte	Special Ed	January 2011
Slusher, Ida	Nursing	January 2012

Motion: Subcommittee [APPROVED]

VI. OTHER
Next meeting February 4, 2007

VII. ADJOURNMENT
1:40 PM

