# Winthrop University Graduate Faculty Assembly

Agenda, November 18, 2022, 2pm
Virtual (to immediately follow Faculty Conference on Zoom)

Minutes

I. Call to Order

Started at 4:00 PM, quorum present

II. Welcoming Remarks

Tracy Griggs Graduate Faculty Assembly Chair

- Introductions and thanks:
  - Dr. Hannah Richards, Secretary
  - Dr. Kent Miller, Parliamentarian
- III. Approval of <u>minutes</u> of the Graduate Faculty Assembly from April 22, 2022 *Motion to approve and seconded. Unanimously approved.*
- IV. Report from the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Peter Judge *No new graduate news; Provost did not present.*
- V. Report from the Graduate Council

Jennifer Dixon-McKnight Graduate Council Chair

## Graduate Council Chair Report

- Policies modifications requiring a vote by GFA None.
- Curriculum Action requiring vote by GFA None.
- Review of other curriculum items approved by Graduate council *not requiring a vote* by GFA (see curriculum action system)
  - 600-Level Curriculum Changes BIOL660 – Graduate Peer Mentoring in Biology – new course – approved.
  - 500-Level Curriculum Changes (Sent forward to CUC; see curriculum action system for details)
- Petitions Six petitions approved

No discussions.

## VI. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

**Greg Oakes** 

- Spring 2023 Enrollments update: new enrollments are down compared to last year, Wiley is down 12 students; on-campus enrollments are static.
- Fall 2022 enrollments: on-campus dropped, Wiley was better than predicted (90 from Fall 2021 to 119 for Fall 2022) though new clicks are substantially down for summer and fall, the yield rates improved.
- Exploring opportunities for program-specific advertising. See Hunter Huggins (<u>hugginsh@winthrop.edu</u>) for marketing opportunities for your department.
- Online programming: Wiley continuing to work on developing new online programming; Working on developing in-house delivery of online programming
   Discussion about whether Wiley promoting on-campus programs is a good strategy

- Advisory Board meeting: strong interest in developing relationships with businesses in the community, such as establishing enrollment arrangements or changing curriculum to meet business needs
- Nov 29 at 9 AM and 1 PM GTA training sessions https://apps.winthrop.edu/dailydigest/11162022/2.html
- Scholarship Application Portal application window Dec. 1 Feb. 15; students and program directors will receive emails about the application process; scholarships are worth \$1,000/yr (Graduate Excellence) and \$1,000/yr Elizabeth Hope Reed <a href="https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-scholarships.aspx">https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-scholarships.aspx</a>

#### VII. Unfinished Business

Feature of one of our Graduate Programs: MBA

https://www.winthrop.edu/cba/MBA/

Point of contact: Vanessa Valdez valdezv@winthrop.edu

#### VIII. New Business

• Changes to policies, bylaws or other processes:

None to report at this time

#### IX. Announcements

• Reminder that Graduate Faculty status is now a streamlined process. Deans recommend membership for graduate faculty status to the Graduate School. There is no longer an application and voting process.

### X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn and seconded at 4:30 PM