Winthrop University Graduate Faculty Assembly
Minutes, April 14, 2017, 2 pm (combined with the Faculty Conference)
Dina's Place

I.   Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:50 pm. A motion to conduct business in the absence of a quorum was approved.

II.   Welcoming Remarks   Melissa Carsten
                                                                        Graduate Faculty Assembly Chair

Dr. Carsten thanked everyone for attending, and thanked the secretary and parliamentarian for their service.

III.   Approval of minutes of the Graduate Faculty Assembly from February 24, 2017
        Please find the minutes at the bottom of this agenda.

The minutes from the February 24, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously.

IV.   Report from the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs
                                                                        Debra Boyd

Dr. Boyd presented her report during the Faculty Conference. She asked if there were any additional questions. There were no questions from the audience.

V.   Report from the Graduate Council   Lisa Harris
                                                                        Graduate Council Chair

- Graduate Council 2016 - 2017 Priorities

Dr. Harris spoke briefly about the 2016 - 2017 priorities, GFA status, and graduate petitions (see slides).

- Review and Vote on Accelerated Programs and Transfer Policies Revision (see policy changes attached).

Dr. Harris asked the audience if there is any discussion. Dr. DeRochi made a motion to add a friendly amendment to modify language under the transfer policy section that was passed at the Faculty Conference: changing "may" to "may or may not" under transfer policy. This motion was approved unanimously. The motion regarding the Accelerated Programs and Transfer Policies Revision passed unanimously.

- Curriculum Action required – please refer to the curriculum management system for justification and explanations.

  - MA-ENGL: MODIFY, reduction of hours, addition of blended option.

- MBA-BADM-SPRG: NEW, MBA - Sports Revenue Generation, niche MBA offering that builds on the existing MBA core.

- MEd-LTEC: Learning Technologies - moving the concentration in Educational Technology within the MED C&I program to a freestanding degree program. Program is 100% online.

The curriculum action above was approved unanimously.

- Review of curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that do not require a GFA vote and are being considered by CUC – See end of minutes.

- Review of curriculum items approved at the college level that do not require a GFA vote – See end of the minutes.

There were no questions regarding the above curriculum items.

- Elections
  - GFA representative to CUC and ex-officio to Graduate Council. The nominees brought forth by the Graduate Council are listed below; additional nominations will be taken from the floor.
    - Stephanie Lawson, Marketing
    - Kathy Davis, Education

There were no new nominations.

VI.   Report from the Dean of the Graduate School   Jack DeRochi

Dr. DeRochi directed faculty to his written report which was made available by email, and provides information on graduate enrollment data, scholarship awards, a new process for internal and external program approval, the SACSCOC substantive change process, and other issues. Dr. DeRochi asked if there were any questions about information presented in the report or any other matters. There were no questions from the audience.

VII.   Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

VIII.   New Business

There was no new business.

IX.   Announcements

Mr. Tim Drueke reminded faculty that the Graduate Commencement date is Thursday, May 4, at 7 pm. There will be a Graduate Celebration Reception on Tuesday, May 2, at 6 pm.

X.   Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Adriana Cordis
GFA Secretary

Curriculum Items that do not require a GFA vote

Curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that have been sent to CUC for consideration.

- Designate 700-level courses as graduate specialist level. Previously only applied to the SSP program but now will apply to all with the addition of the EdS degree.
- BIOL 505: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
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- BIOL 515: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL 518 - modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, description changed, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL 519: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL 522: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL 524: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL 529: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL530: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL540: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL551: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL552A: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL552B: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL555: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- BIOL560: modify – change grade in prerequisites to a grade of C or better, and catalog clean-up
- DCED592: modify – change grading to S/U
- EDUC594: NEW – special topics in education.
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- ENGL501: modify – change prerequisites so they are consistent across all ENGL courses at the 500-level
- ENGL502: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL503: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL503H: modify - change prerequisites

- ENGL504: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL505: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL510: modify - change prerequisites
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- ENGL512: modify - change prerequisites
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- ENGL514: modify - change prerequisites
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- ENGL 520: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL 521: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL525: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL527: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL528: modify - change prerequisites
- ENGL529: modify – title, goal and description change
- ENGL530: modify - change prerequisites.
- ENGL550: modify - change prerequisites
- EXSC501: modify – change designator from SPMA, required for EXSC not SPAM degree
- FACS501: modify – change pre-req GPA
- HDFS500: modify – change pre-req GPA
- HDFS595: modify – change pre-req GPA
- MATH511: NEW - offer a broader range of electives for mathematics majors
- MATH570: NEW - offer a broader range of electives for mathematics majors
- MGMT522: modify - change pre-reqs
- MGMT524: modify - change pre-reqs
- MLAN593: NEW – to replace EDUC 695 as capstone for MAT
- PLSC500: NEW – adds a research class for 0 credit hours
- SCIE590: NEW – graduate students only, prepares students for year-long internship
- SCIE593: NEW – graduate students only, replaces EDUC695 capstone for MAT
- SOCL519:NEW – adds qualitative methods course
- SPED585: modify title, goals, and pre-reqs
- SPFA685: modify title, pre-reqs, and description
- SPMA520: modify pre-reqs
- SPMA530: modify pre-reqs
- WMST503: NEW - make permanent a course formerly taught as a Special topics course
- WRIT503: NEW - fills a gap in our theoretical offerings

Curriculum items approved at the college level.

- ENGL670: Graduate Research in English – NEW
- ENGL694: Graduate Studio in English - NEW - culminating experience for Master's degree candidates
- MKTG676: NEW - Part of MBA Sports Revenue Generation (SPRG) Program
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- MUSA656N: NEW
- PSYC615: Modify – title and description
- PSYC670: Modify – course will be offered for variable credit rather than 1 credit

- LTEC640: Modify - support the new MED in Learning Design and Technology
- LTEC641: NEW - support the new MED in Learning Design and Technology
- LTEC642: NEW - support the new MED in Learning Design and Technology
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