

GRADUATE COUNCIL
Winthrop University
Tuesday, April 16, 2024
Online

Members present: Dustin Hoffman, Sherry Hoyle, Tim Drueke, Jessie Hoffman, Lisa Harris, Nicholas Moellman, Cody Walters, Tony Strange, Charles Randle, Gina Jones, Tracy Griggs, Brantley Therrell, Chris Ward, and Gabby Jacobsen

I. Announcements

II. Approval of minutes March 5th, 2024. See the link below for minutes:
<https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-council-minutes.aspx>

Motion to approve: CR (Charles Randle). Second: NM (Nicholas Moellman).
Approved by acclimation vote.

III. Old Business

a. Nominations for GFA Chair

1. O. Jennifer Dixon-McKnight

DH (Dustin Hoffman): this nomination comes from grad council. Jenn agreed to be the nominee. We're supposed to have two. Sometimes we only end up with one. Did anyone get any more? TD (Tim Drueke): is Jennifer tenured? GFA needs to be tenured. DH: she's up for promotion and tenure. That would work if she does get it? TD: yes. I just didn't know if she was up this year. I don't see any reason that it won't work. Should be finding out in next 48 hours. TG (Tracy Griggs): if there's just one you'd vote by acclamation. I thought that with GFA. TD: grad council will nominate at least one person. DH: maybe it was FCUP that we needed two? TG: I thought there was a whole thing for faculty conference that you needed two. LH (Lisa Harris): it was two and then we changed it but this was always the scenario. I can ask for more on the floor. Do I need to ask for a vote? TD: it would be a motion to approve by acclimation and then vote yes or no.

b. Nominations for FCUP

1. Alice McLaine
2. Tracy Griggs

DH: thank you Tracy for being a candidate, and Alice. Do we have any others? That gets us our two so we're doing what we need to do there. TG: for the voting, Tim are you going to work with our secretary and put the ballot together? TD: yes, I have a template, I'll make two versions for faculty conference and one for GFA. We'll likely do nominations from the floor if we get a second for chair, I can add it. TG: should I have Hannah contact you or do you send it out? TD: Hannah or Gabby

can send it. It's best coming from one of the leaders, from you or Dustin or Hannah. We leave it open for a 72-hour period. If we get it out Friday or send it Monday at 10am. TG: I'll have Hannah contact the two of you.

IV. New Business
a. Graduate Council Chair Election

DH: we'll need to do this. I'm willing to go up for chair again but if anyone else would like that I'd be happy to help you too. If anyone wants to self nominate or nominate anyone else. So Tim, we can vote in this meeting now?

Approved by acclimation vote.

CR: I am serving as the Rules Committee chair, and coming back to Jennifer, I know she's not tenured but going up at the same time, close to tenure. But the document does say specifically only tenured of GFA are eligible to serve. At the time she's technically not tenured. TD: even if she's approved for tenure, it's approved at the start of the new year. It's one of the things we've talk about when does the term start? I take it as the term starts at start of new academic year, so over the summer and the new person takes effect August 16th. Or depending on when the calendar falls. CR: so technically when her term starts there isn't an issue. TD: elections of academic council members, which requires them to be on campus for two years, if they are finishing up their second year can they run. We generally don't limit it. It's when the term starts. That's my interpretation. DH: that's been in practice too. That makes sense. You don't immediately start your term. TD: Petitions Committee, when someone retires, the new members take over in August. DH: a good point though something for your committee to take up and revise the bylaws. TD: did anyone take up the offer to be chair? CR: yes, Lauren Kohut.

V. Curriculum action – None

VI. Graduate Petitions

a. Petition 1

Approved by acclimation vote.

b. Petition 2

Approved by acclimation vote.

VII. Adjournment

2023-2024 Meeting Dates

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 11:00 am

Friday, October 20, 2023 at 2:00 pm

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 11:00 am
 Friday, January 19, 2024 at 2:00 pm
 Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 11:00 am
 Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 11:00 am

Graduate Faculty Assembly and Graduate Council Website:

<https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-faculty-governance.aspx>

CourseDog

<https://app.coursedog.com/#/login>

2023-2024 Committee			
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Stephanie Sutton, CVPA, Vice Chair	suttons@winthrop.edu	Elected (CVPA)	2025
Nicholas Moellman, CBA	moellmann@winthrop.edu	Elected (CBA)	2024
Tony Strange, COE	strangea@winthrop.edu	Appointed (VPAA)	2024
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Jessie Hoffman, CAS	hoffmanjb@winthrop.edu	Appointed (VPAA)	2026
Sherry Hoyle, COE	hoyles@winthrop.edu	Elected (COE)	2024
Ex Officio, non-voting, and other invitees			
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Chris Ward	wardc@winthrop.edu	Elected, GFA (from CUC), Ex Officio	2026
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