

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of The Graduate Council 2015-2016

Date and Time: Thursday, October 1, 2015

Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Matt Baker, Dr. Anne Chalex-Boyle, Dr. David Ivey, Dr. Robin Lock,

Dr. Ranadip Pal, Dr. Steven Richards, Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Weiwu Zhang

Ex-officio: Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Clifford Fedler, Dr. Darryl James,

Ms. Gloria Park

Visitors: Dr. Erin Collopy, Dr. Stephen Ekwaro-Osire, Dr. David Ernst,

Dr. Brent Guinn, Ms. Linley Jones, Dr. Mellinee Lesley

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate School website at www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool.

II. A motion was made by David Ivey and seconded by Robin Lock to approve the minutes from the 1st meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, September 3, 2015. The Graduate Council approved these minutes.

III. Students admitted to Doctoral Candidacy.

The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of their departments. A motion was made by Matt Baker and seconded by Tara Stevens with a correction being made to the students being admitted to Mass Communication instead of Media and Communication. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Kyle Allen Business Administration

Amber Batura History

Jeffrey Crane Marriage and Family Therapy Nizar Haddad Interior Environmental Design

Liyang Han Music

Mohammad Nazmul Hasan Khan Chemistry

Summer Hawkins Counseling Psychology Joshua Ison Animal Sciences

Yeong-Seok Jo Wildlife Aquatic Wildland Science Management

Changjie Liu Geosciences
Martha Maradiaga Animal Sciences
Desiree' Markham Mass Communications
Richa Padhye Mechanical Engineering

Amy Pineau Music Jesus D. Ramirez Mendez Spanish

Audrey Redford Agricultural and Applied Economics

Nathian Rodriguez Mass Communications

Alex Schmidt Marriage and Family Therapy

Ricardo Schmidt Spanish Stephen Sims Music

Pablo Teveni Range Science

Steven Trinkl Music

Wayne Walker Marriage and Family Therapy
Matthew Whitledge Business Administration
Denise Williams Marriage and Family Therapy

Jesse Willis Music

IV. Academic Requests

The following Graduate Certificate came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Steven Richards to approve the certificate proposal. The Graduate Council approved.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Graduate Certificate in English Language for Academic and Professional Communication

The following Master's proposal came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Ranadip Pal to approve the Master's proposal. The Graduate Council approved.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

M.S. in Civil Engineering (distance delivery)

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V. Old Business

The proposed revisions were distributed to the full Graduate Council regarding the guidelines for the combined/accelerated Baccalaureate-Master's Programs.

There was a discussion whether or not we should start doing a grade replacement at the Graduate level.

VI. New Business

Dr. Clifford Fedler distributed the breakdown of graduation numbers, providing a comparison table beginning with Fall 2013 through Summer 2015.

VII. Announcements

The December Graduate Council meeting has been changed from December 3, 2015 to December 10, 2015 due to some travel conflicts.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on September 3, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.