Minutes of the 1st meeting of
The Graduate Council
2016-2017

Date and Time: Thursday, September 8, 2016
Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Jeff Burkhardt, Dr. David Ivey, Dr. Robin Lock, Dr. Stephen Morse, Dr. Ranadip Pal, Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Weiwu Zhang,

Ex-officio: Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Tim Dallas, Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Darryl James, Ms. Joya Mannan, Dr. Mark Sheridan

Visitors: Dr. Brendan, Kelly, Dr. Jeff Lee, Dr. Bob Morgan, Dr. Nurxat Nuraje, Dr. Sharran Parkinson, Dr. Megan Thoen

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. Dean Sheridan did a small presentation of appreciation to those members that are rotating off the Graduate Council and announcing the new members coming on.

III A motion was made by David Ivey and seconded by Stephen Morse to approve the minutes from the 9th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, July 21, 2016. The Graduate Council approved these minutes.

IV. 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 Stephen Morse and seconded by Robin Lock. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Lua Augustin
Diana Ayala
Collin Berke
Hum Nath Bhandari
Personal Financial Planning
Animal Sciences
Mass Communications
Mathematics
William C. Burson    Animal Sciences
Sylvia Caballero-Suarez    Educational Leadership
Vanessa Charles    Chemistry
Teha Cooks    Curriculum and Instruction
Kaushik Das    Mechanical Engineering
Hira Farooq    Physics
Rhoda Goldberg    Curriculum and Instruction
Alexandra Gordienko    Physics
Laura Gorham    Agricultural Communication and Education
Karin Grisham    Curriculum and Instruction
Jennifer Huemmer    Mass Communications
Donald Hume    Curriculum and Instruction
Ahmad Khayyat Jafari    Physics
Amber Krause    Mass Communications
Shelby Lacouture    Electrical Engineering
Travis Loof    Mass Communications
Jacob Lumby    Personal Financial Planning
Veronica Lyons    Chemistry
Tielige Mengke    Physics
Samila Muthumuni    Physics
Amin Nikakhtar    Industrial Engineering
Dominic Russ    English
MD Nasim-US Sabah    Business Administration
Shannon Sahabi    Curriculum and Instruction
Geron Scates    Higher Education
Xueda Shi    Mechanical Engineering
Jacob Shores-Arguello    English
Sarah Skoog-Cowen    Counselor Education
Sarah Smith    Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Troy Tarpley    Agricultural Communication and Education
Bailey Thompson    Mass Communications
Tracee Tomlinson    Curriculum and Instruction
James Vice    History
Sarah Viren    English
Michelle N. Walty    Mathematics
Shawna White    Mass Communications
Beth Wiggs    Curriculum and Instruction
Jacob Williams    Personal Financial Planning
Todd Witt    Curriculum and Instruction
Jingting Xiao    Civil Engineering
Dong Xue    Chemistry
Cagla Yildirim    Personal Financial Planning
V. Academic Requests

The following course applications, came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. Steven Richards second the motion to approve all course applications. The Graduate Council approved all requests.

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

**GEOL 5351**: Spectroscopy & Classification (3:2:0:3) (change in *title* from Imaging Spectroscopy and Raster Classification)

**SOC 5312**: Urban Education Problems (3:3:0:0) (change in *title* from Urban Problems and *description*)

VI. Graduate Faculty

The following graduate faculty application came with a motion of approval from graduate faculty sub-committee. Steven Richards second the motion to approve the following application. The Graduate Council approved the request

Justin Louder – College of Education

The following graduate faculty application cam with a motion of approval from the graduate faculty sub-committee. The Graduate Council motioned to table the application until a CV with more detailed information was received. The Graduate Council approved the motion to table.

Stephen Peterson – Industrial Engineering

VII. Old Business

The updated draft copy of the Graduate Faculty O.P. will be emailed to the full graduate council so they can discuss with their college.

VIII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan handed out the Year In Review of the Graduate School for the 2015-2016 year.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in room 313 of the Administration Building.