



Minutes of the 5th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2013-2014

Date and Time: Thursday, February 6, 2014

Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Stephen Cook, Dr. Ann Hawkins, Dr. Simon Hsiang, Dr. Robin Lock, Dr. Bill Poirier, Dr. Weiwu Zhang

Ex-officio: Dr. Dominick Casadonte, Dr. Gary Elbow, Dr. Clifford Fedler, Dr. Ralph Ferguson,

Visitors: Dr. Bill Pasewark

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 Claudia Cogliser and seconded by Stephen Cook to approve the minutes from the 4th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, January 23, 2014. 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 Jorgelina Orfila and seconded by Weiwu Zhang. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Mr. Sachith Abeysundara	Mathematics
Ms. Chelsey Ahrens	Agricultural Communications and Education
Mr. Burchan Aydin	Industrial Engineering
Ms. Stephanie Barbre	Educational Psychology
Ms. Kristin Bivens	Technical Communications and Rhetoric
Ms. Maria Alexandra Calle Madrid	Animal Science
Ms. Maria Alexandra Cerdas Cisneros	Spanish

Mr. Muhammet Cetin	Chemistry
Ms. Yuepeng Cui	Wind Science and Engineering
Ms. Don Dassanayake	Mathematics
Mr. Rolando Diaz	Spanish
Ms. Tianxi Dong	Business Administration
Mr. Justin Duncan	Fine Arts Music
Mr. Leonidas Javier Guadalupe Herrera	Systems and Engineering Management
Mr. William Gunter	Geosciences
Mr. Brett Hafferkamp	Mathematics
Ms. Alicia Howard	Chemistry
Mr. Shawn Hughes	Mass Communication
Ms. Michelle Jones	Family and Consumer Science Education
Mr. Thomas Kirkscey	Technical Communications and Rhetoric
Mr. Wesley Kumfer	Civil and Environmental Engineering
Ms. Nancy Layland	Biological Sciences
Mr. Jacob Makaya	Mathematics
Mr. Steven Malcolm	Systems and Engineering Management
Ms. Neelam Mishra	Biology
Ms. Meenakshi Mittal	Biology
Mr. Suresh Mummadi	Chemistry
Ms. Claudia Natividade Simon	Spanish
Mr. Sandeep Nimmagadda	Electrical Engineering
Ms. Kristin Parnell	Educational Psychology
Ms. Amanda Pepper-Yowell	Animal Sciences
Mr. Charles Schindler	Counseling Psychology
Ms. Lisa Smith	Special Education
Mr. Scott Smith	Mathematics
Mr. Lane Sobehrad	History
Mr. Alexis D. Stamatikos	Nutritional Sciences
Ms. Elissa Stroman	Fine Arts Music
Mr. Li Sun	Biology
Ms. Virginia Tucker	Technical Communications and Rhetoric
Mr. Christopher Umstead	Mechanical Engineering
Ms. Yulin Wang	Industrial Engineering
Ms. Ye Wang	Agriculture and Applied Economics
Mr. Danush Wijekularathna	Mathematics
Mr. Joseph Williams	English

IV. Academic Requests

The following Deletion comes with a motion of approval and seconded from the Academic Program Committee. The Graduate Council approved the deletion

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Graduate Certificate in Equine Assisted Mental Health Certificate

The following Dual degrees come with a motion of approval and seconded from the Academic Program Committee. The Graduate Council approved.

RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Master of Business Administration/Master of Science in Biotechnology

Master of Business Administration/PhD in Biomedical Sciences

The following hour change comes to the Graduate Council as an information item only.

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Hour change in Department of Design

V. Announcements

Dr. Clifford Fedler stated that the Academic Council has formed a committee in regards to the cross-listed courses. The committee consist of the following members: Gary Elbow, Clifford Fedler, Garrett McKinnon, Kevin Stoker (chairman), and Janessa Walls.

The Graduate School will host the 13th Annual Graduate School Poster Competition on March 7th, in the Texas Tech Museum.

Stephen Cook Wong motioned to adjourn the Graduate Council meeting and Ann Hawkins seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next Graduate Council meeting will be held on April 3, 2014.