

# **Graduate Council Minutes Monday, February 6, 2023 Via Zoom**

Attendees: Jennifer Ball, Tracy Routsong, Carson Kay, Rhonda Peterson Dealey, Tracy Davies, Becky Dodge, Stacy Conner, Sarah Holt, Michele Reisinger, Erin Grant, Barbara Scofield, Emily Grant, Michael Rettig

Not present: Danny Funk

Notes taken by: Beth Mathews

Guest: Shaun Schmidt

Meeting was called to order by Erin Grant at 12:01pm.

- I. Approve meeting minutes of November 21, 2022. Motion was made by Rhonda Peterson Dealey to approve the minutes. Becky Dodge seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- II. Old Business
  - a. Faculty Constitution edits – Shaun Schmidt was present to assist in discussion and answer questions concerning the Faculty Constitution language edits. There was lengthy discussion concerning whether Grad Council was considered a Faculty Senate Committee due to its member makeup and processes. Jennifer Ball said she'd offer a clarifying sentence after having time to write one. There was further discussion concerning the appointment of a member of faculty senate to graduate council (if necessary) and whether they would be a voting member. It was decided the faculty senate executive committee would appoint a faculty senator in consultation with the graduate council chair, if necessary. The current language with edits will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.
- III. New Business
  - a. Reactivation for graduate students – Barbara Scofield presented a proposal for graduate students to remain in active status if they do not enroll for one semester. After discussion the majority of members were supportive of this revision. Two members wanted to request feedback from their department before approving. Jennifer Ball also wants to get administrative input before approving.
- IV. Discussion – None.

- V. Announcements – Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2023 at 12:00pm via Zoom.

Motion was made by Rhonda Peterson Dealey and seconded by Barbara Scofield to conclude the meeting at 12:39pm.