

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
(Web Version)
January 20, 2011

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Dabney McKenzie (vtel)	X	
Larry Blocher		X	Fred Meine	X	
Rhonda Bowron	X		Jan Oliver	X	
Lynn Boyd (vtel)	X		Dan Puckett (vtel)	X	
Andrew Creamer	X		Patsy Riley	X	
Mark Gaddis (Vtel)	X		Ellen Rosell	X	
Fred Green	X		Robert Saunders (telephone)	X	
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Jim Simpson (vtel)	X	
Charles Krupnick	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	X	
Lorraine Magrath	X		Dr. Edith Smith, ex officio	X	

X*--absent with notice

X**--absent due to Vtel issues

GUESTS: Dr. Ed Merkel

I. Call to Order

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Green moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

III. Approval of Minutes (to include the Web Version) of October 21, 2010

Dr. Meine motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Green seconded. The motion was approved.

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Barron reported that the 2011-12 Graduate Catalog was progressing nicely. She also reported that the Graduate Admission Subcommittee is still working on a proposal that will be brought before the Graduate Council in February. She then asked for volunteers to serve on a Graduate Subcommittee to review submission for The Best Graduate Research Award. Dr. Gaddis, Dr. Magrath, and Dr. Bowron all agreed to serve on the subcommittee.

V. Business Items

Sorrell College of Business

1. Proposal for modifications to the pre-requisite courses for MBA, MSM, MSHRM, or MTx degree programs.

a. Dr. Merkel presented the SCOB's proposal. He advised the council that the due to difficulties experienced by students attempting to pursue the standalone foundation classes as a pre-req to enter the MBA, MSM, MSHRM, or Master of Taxation degrees the SCOB Graduate Committee recommends deleting the following courses from the course inventory effective Fall 2011:

BUS 5511 Fundamentals of Accounting

BUS 5512 Fundamentals of Finance

BUS 5513 Fundamentals of Economic Analysis

BUS 5514 Fundamentals of Business Law
BUS 5515 Fundamentals

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Rosell seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

b. Dr. Merkel presented the second part of the proposal. He stated that, to enhance the academic utility of the remaining BUS 5500 Business Foundation classes, the SCOB Graduate Committee further recommends that three of the co-joined courses be deleted from the course of inventory effective Fall 2011. They are:

BUS 5502 Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance
BUS 5503 Fundamentals of Economic Analysis and Business Law
BUS 5505 Fundamentals of Information Systems and Quantitative Methods

BUS 5504 Fundamentals of Management and Marketing will remain as such in the inventory. To replace these deletions, the SCOB Graduate Committee recommends that four new Business Foundation courses that cover only one business area be added to the course inventory effective Fall 2011:

BUS 55__ Fundamentals of Accounting
BUS 55__ Fundamentals of Financial Analysis
BUS 55__ Fundamentals of Quantitative Methods
BUS 55__ Fundamentals of Economic Analysis

After a short discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Magrath seconded. Motion was approved.

2. Student #1—Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Merkel presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the SCOB's Graduate Academic Committee evaluated the student's request and has recommended a denial of the request. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to support the SCOB Graduate Academic Committee's decision and deny the request. Dr. Green seconded. The motion was approved to support the SCOB GAC's decision and deny the request.

3. Student #2—Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Merkel presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the SCOB's Graduate Academic Committee evaluated the student's request and has recommended a denial of the request. After a short discussion, Dr. Magrath motioned to support the SCOB Graduate Academic Committee's decision to deny the request. Dr. Meine seconded the motion. The motion carried to support the SCOB GAC's decision to deny the request.

4. Student #3—Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Merkel presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the SCOB's Graduate Academic Committee evaluated the student's request and has recommended the student be allowed the request with a completion date

of May 31, 2011. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Krupnick motioned to support the SCOB Graduate Academic Committee's decision to approve the request with a completion date of May 31, 2011. Dr. Rosell seconded the motion. Motion approved.

5. Student #4—Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Merkel presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the SCOB's Graduate Academic Committee evaluated the student's request and has recommended a denial of the request. After a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to support the SCOB Graduate Academic Committee's decision and deny the request. Dr. Green seconded the motion. Motion carried to support the SCOB GAC's decision and deny the request.

College of Education

1. Student #5—Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Oliver presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Education has reviewed the request and recommended approval with a completion date of August 31, 2011. Following a short discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to support the College of Education's recommendation and approve the request with a completion date of August 31, 2011. Dr. Green seconded the motion. Motion was approved to support the COE's approval of the student's request with a completion date of August 31, 2011.

College of Health and Human Services

1. Proposal for Changes to the MSN and DNP degree programs.

Dr. Riley presented the College of Health and Human Services proposal for changes to the MSN and DNP degree programs. She advised that under Unconditional Admission, a change was recommended to read the applicant must "Hold a baccalaureate degree in nursing (BSN) from a regionally accredited university and a nationally accredited nursing program (NLNAC or CCNE). Under Conditional Admission, the same change was recommended.

Dr. Riley stated the School of Nursing recommended prerequisites be added to the course description for NSG 8804 Policy and Politics in Healthcare. She asked that NSG 8801 and NSG 8802 be deleted and NSG 8815 and NSG 8820 be added. Lastly, she asked that a change be made to the prerequisites for NSG 8822: Leadership in Organizations and Systems. She asked that NSG 8815 and NSG 8820 be deleted and NSG 8801 and NSG 8802 be added as prerequisites. After a short discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Meine seconded the motion. Motion was approved to accept the proposal.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Council is February 17, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Patterson Hall (formerly the General Academics Building), Room 330.