

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
(Web Version)
November 18, 2010

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Dabney McKenzie		X**
Larry Blocher	X		Fred Meine	X	
Rhonda Bowron		X*	Jan Oliver	X	
Lynn Boyd		X**	Dan Puckett		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		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. Candice Howard-Shaughnessy, Dr. Ed Merkel

I. Call to Order

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Meine moved to approve the agenda with amendment that the College of Health and Human Services extension requests are Nursing students, therefore they are Five-year waiver requests rather than Eight-year waiver requests. Dr. Green seconded. The motion was approved.

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

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

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Barron reminded everyone that proposals for program changes to the 2011-12 catalog are due no later than January 13, 2011 to be included on the January 20th agenda. She also reported that the Graduate Admission Subcommittee has been researching the Graduate admission criteria used at other institutions. Dr. Smith gave a report of the subcommittee where she advised that they are currently working on a proposal that would outline the criteria to be used to determine an admission floor for conditional admission. She also stated that the subcommittee was looking at changing the terminology for admission status to possibly “fully admitted” and “provisionally admitted”.

V. Business Items

College of Arts and Sciences

1. Student #1 – Extension of the Eight-year Waiver

Dr. Rosell presented the student’s request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised the council that the College of Arts and Sciences has recommended approval of the request with a completion date of August 31, 2011. Following a short discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the request. Dr. Green seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Sorrell College of Business

1. Proposal for Modifications to Graduate Business Degree programs in response to accreditation requirements involving the following areas: pre-requisites, readmission to the programs and admission requests from students with undergraduate degrees from U.S. Colleges non-regionally accredited.

a. Dr. Merkel presented the SCOB's proposal. He advised the council that the due to ACBSP accreditation requirements, students entering graduate business degree program not holding an undergraduate business degree, earned in the last eight-years from an ACBSP/AACSB accredited school, must complete the four 5500 foundation courses/8-5500 standalone courses/9-undergrad CPC courses or pass the ETS business core exam at or above the national average as stated in the graduate catalog. While this is being enforced for newly entering students, the question has been raised regarding this policy being applied to reentering students who were previously admitted but have not taken a course for three years or longer. Per the Graduate Catalog, if a student has not registered for a course in three years or more they must re-enter on the new catalog operative at the time of re-entry. The SCOB Graduate Committee recommends that the following statement be entered into the 2011-2012 Graduate Catalog:

"Any MSM or MSHRM student that has not taken a course with Troy University for three or more years and has completed eight or more courses in the pre-2009/10 twelve course degree programs will be allowed, upon readmission, to complete their original 12 course program *without* taking the 5500 foundation classes. Should the student choose to switch to the new ten course program, then the 5500 foundation classes would have to be taken and each foundation course passed with a "B" grade or better *prior* to taking any 6000 level courses and the new ten course graduate curriculum as stated in the current graduate catalog would have to be completed." Following a short discussion, Dr. Rosell motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Magrath seconded. Motion was approved.

b. Dr. Merkel presented the SCOB's recommendation that a review of the student's graduate transcript be done by their advisor to determine if any of the 5500 foundation courses can be waived. After a brief discussion, this item was determined to be an internal policy to the SCOB and did not need to be added to the Graduate Council.

2. Dr. Merkel presented the SCOB's request to add a statement to the 2011-2012 Graduate Catalog concerning admission for students who have an undergraduate degree from U.S. Colleges non-regionally accredited. The following statement was suggested:

"Unaccredited or Otherwise Accredited Baccalaureate or Masters Degree Holders—
Student Admission requirements

Note: *Students graduating from a non-regionally accredited U.S. college or university who are seeking a Master's degree from the Sorrell College of Business must obtain a letter from the Dean of **three** Colleges/Schools of Business accredited by the AACSB or ACBSP stating that students from their particular non-regionally accredited college or university have been accepted into graduate business programs at those institutions.*"

Following a short discussion, Dr. Green motioned to approve the request. Dr. Rosell seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Education

1. Proposal to Modify the Master of Science in Post-Secondary Education-Instructional Technology concentration.

Dr. Oliver presented the College of Educations proposal which would combine EDU 6605 and EDU 6606 into a new EDU 6606 course and modify EDU 6607's course description in the Instructional Technology Concentration. She also presented the proposal to change prerequisites listed below:

Delete EDU 6605

EDU 6606 prerequisite for EDU 6607

EDU 6607 prerequisite for EDU 6613

EDU 6613 prerequisite for EDU 6614

EDU 6613 prerequisite for EDU 6616

EDU 6613 prerequisite for EDU 6617

EDU 6617 prerequisite for EDU 6618

After a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Green seconded the motion. Motion approved.

2. Proposal to Modify the Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology program

Dr. Creamer withdrew the proposal. He will bring it forward at the next Graduate Council meeting.

College of Health and Human Services

1. Student #2 – Extension of the Five-year Waiver

Dr. Riley presented the students request for an extension of the five-year rule. She advised the council that the College of Health and Human Services has recommended approval with a completion date of May 31, 2011. Following a short discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the request. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.

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

Dr. Riley presented the student's request for an extension of the five-year rule. She advised the council that the College of Health and Human Services has recommended approval with a completion date of May 31, 2011. Following a discussion it was suggested that the student be given a completion date of July 31, 2011. Dr. Green motioned to approve the request with a completion date of July 31, 2011. Dr. Blocher seconded. There was one opposition. Motion approved.

3. Proposal to Modify the Master of Science in Sport and Fitness Management curriculum.

Dr. Howard-Shaughnessy presented the College of Health and Human Services proposal. She advised that the changes are requested to accommodate more students, provide application "hands-on" experiences in the Exercise Physiology lab, and update the program to reflect the variety of interests in Sport Management. Changes include:

- a. Changes to Required Core Courses

Currently the core is composed of 21 semester hours. It was proposed to modify various courses to provide a total of 18 semester hours in the core. (See attached.)

- b. Changes to Athletic Administration Concentration

Deletion/addition of courses to total 18 hours

- c. Changes to Fitness, Sport, and Club Management Concentration

Deletion/addition of courses to total 18 hours

d. Proposal of adding a new Coaching Concentration (18 Hours)

Request will require ACHE notification and approval prior to execution.

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

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Council is January 20, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in Patterson Hall (formerly the General Academics Building), Room 330.