

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

August 21, 2008

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Lorraine Magrath		X
Catherine Allard	X		Pam Manners		X
Geraldine Allen		X	Dabney McKenzie (vtel)	X	
Frank Browning (phone)	X		Debra Moore (phone)	X	
Andrew Creamer	X		Emrah Orhun		X
Mark Gaddis	X		Jim Rinehart		X
Fred Green	X		Robert Saunders (phone)	X	
William Heisler (phone)	X		David Shetterly (phone)	X	
Haitao Li		X	Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio		X
Kenyon Knapp	X				

GUESTS: Dr. Ellen Rosell
Dr. Hal Fulmer
Dr. Janice Nelson
Tamara Jones

I. Call to Order

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order and asked members and guests to introduce themselves.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Allard motioned to accept the agenda. Dr. Green seconded. Motion was approved.

III. Approval of Minutes of June 19, 2008 (including web version)

Dr. Browning moved to approve both the traditional version and the web version of the minutes. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Fretwell advised that Dr. Barron was out of town due to a family medical emergency. She then introduced the draft for the Graduate Council Meeting dates for AY 2008-2009. Dr. Knapp motioned to approve the dates. Dr. Rosell seconded. The motion was approved.

V. Business Items

College of Arts and Sciences

1. Student #1 – Request for extension of eight-year rule

The request for an eight-year extension was tabled from the June 19, 2008 Graduate Council Meeting. Clarification was requested regarding which classes Student #1 is requesting the extension for, as well as the time frame for completion. Dr. Shetterly motioned to approve the request with a completion date of Spring 2009. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.

College of Education

1. Redesign of Class A Educational Administration program to the Class A Instructional Leadership program.

Dr. Creamer introduced the Alabama State Department of Education requirement for all Educational Leadership graduate programs to be redesigned to an Instructional Leadership program. He explained that there was no change to the syllabi or to the courses other than the name change from EAL to ILA. Dr. Nelson motioned to approve the entire program as a package. Dr. Knapp seconded. Motion approved.

2. Change of Substance Abuse 5000-Level Courses to 6000-Level Courses.
Dr. Knapp introduced the request to change three Substance Abuse courses from a 5000-Level course to a 6000-Level course. There was a discussion concerning the justification of the change without requiring additional requirements be added to the courses. Dr. Allard made a motion to table the package until the College of Education provided clarification of the justification and rationale to change from a 5000-Level to a 6000-Level course. Dr. Shetterly seconded. Motion tabled.
3. Master of Science Post Secondary Education Nonsubstantive Program Changes.
Change 1a and Change 1b.—1a.-Add to the course catalog: *All students in the MSPSE Program must seek Academic advisement by their assigned home location adviser before registering for classes.* 1b.-Modify DATATEL to not permit first time MSPSE students to register in any classes until advisement.
Dr. Creamer advised that students all over our Global campus are be routed to the Troy Campus for advisement. This change would require the student be assigned an advisor from their assigned home location. After a brief discussion, Dr. Knapp motioned to approve. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.
Change 2—EDU 6613 should be the prerequisite course for EDU 6614.
Dr. Creamer advised that students are registering for EDU 6614-Advanced Instructional Design that are not prepared for the coursework, then argue that EDU 6613-Principles of Instructional Design is not listed in the catalog as a prerequisite. Dr. Green motioned to approve. Dr. Shetterly seconded. Motion approved.
4. Additional admission option for Master of Science in School Counseling.
Dr. Creamer advised that this is a State mandated requirement that recently provided options for School Counseling certification. After a brief discussion, Dr. Knapp motioned to accept. Dr. Rosell seconded. Motion approved.
5. Student #2—Request for extension of eight-year rule.
Dr. Fretwell introduced the letter from Dr. Tatum recommending approval of Student #2's request, citing the stipulation that the degree requirements be complete by the end of Spring (May) 2009. Dr. Nelson motioned to approve the request. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.
6. Student #3—Request for extension of eight-year rule.
Dr. Fretwell introduced the letter from Dr. Tatum recommending approval of Student #3's request, citing the stipulation that the degree requirements be complete by the end of Spring (May) 2009. Dr. Green motioned to approve the request. Dr. Rosell seconded. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30PM. The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2008.