

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**January 17, 2008**  
**Web Version**

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**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		X	Debra Moore		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 (vtel)	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	X	
Kenyon Knapp	X				

GUESTS: Dr. Merkel, Dr. Ellen Rosell, Ms. Brenda Campbell

**I. Call to Order**

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

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Dr. Fretwell indicated that the item from the College of Education was to be deleted and the agenda modified accordingly. Dr. Manners moved to approve the revised agenda. Dr. Green seconded. The motion was approved.

**III. Approval of Minutes of November 15, 2007 (including web version)**

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

**IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School**

Dr. Barron reminded the council that any changes to the Graduate Catalog need to be presented at the February meeting. For this reason, the Council voted to change the meeting in February from the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> to facilitate the items needing approval for the Graduate Catalog. Dr. Barron also updated the Council on the success of the electronic end of course evaluation survey. Approximately 16,000 responses were received. The IT department would be sending the evaluations to the respective instructors starting on January 18, 2008. Dr. Barron asked the Council for volunteers to serve on a subcommittee to review the writing requirements for admission to graduate school. Members were to contact Dr. Barron.

**V. Business Items**

**NOTE: Policy changes, curriculum changes, etc. approved by the council are effective the following academic year unless otherwise indicated.**

College of Arts and Sciences

1. Student #1 – Request for Extension of 8 year rule  
Dr. Rosell presented the details of the petition. The decision of the College review committee was to approve the petition to the end of Term 4, 2008 which is May 18, 2008. After discussion, Dr. Knapp motioned to support the decision. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.

College of Business

1. Change in Course Transfer Credit Policy for Graduate Business Degree Programs.  
Dr. Merkel presented the justification for the policy change. The change aligns the MBA, MSHRM and MSM degree programs to the current transfer limits in the EMBA program. The Course Transfer policy would limit the transfer of 2 courses (6 semester hours) only. In addition, the capstone course for each discipline cannot be transferred in but must be taken at Troy University. After some discussion, Dr. Gaddis motioned to approve the change. Dr. Manners seconded. Motion approved.
2. Student #2 – Request for Extension of 8 year Rule  
Dr. Merkel presented the details of the petition. The College Review committee recommended approval of the extension to December 31, 2008 as the student was enrolled in his last course. Dr. Knapp motioned to approve. Dr. Heisler seconded. Motion approved.

Information Items

1. SACS Notification to offer Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology at Marianna, FL.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2008.