

Kirby, Russell - <i>Chair - On sabbatical</i>	
Policy/Fellowship Committee	Curriculum Committee
Bahner, Ingrid	Agosto, Vonzell
Churchill, Greg (Grad Student Rep)	Andrews, James
Cohen, Donna	Brea, Maria
Guldiken, Rasim	Dave, Vrushank
Permeth, Steve	Groer, Maureen
Robison, John, Policy/Fellowship Chair	Howell, Christian (Jordan) (Grad Student Rep)
Shaw, Lindsey	Lee, Sang-Hie
Wecker, Lynn	Muller, Pamela Hallock GTM
Wheeler, Pat	Plank, Richard
Wilson, Cheryl	Savachkin, Alex
Xue, Bin	Siven, Jacqueline (Grad Student Rep)
	Taylor, Tomaro
	Thompson, Amy
EX OFFICIO (NON-VOTING)	LIAISONS
Dwayne Smith, Dean, OGS	Carol Hines-Cobb, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS
Paul Sanberg, VP, Research Innovation	Joseph Butts, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS
Ruth Bahr, Asst. Dean, OGS	Kathy Barnes, Assistant Director, InEd
Shyam Mohapatra, Assoc Dean	Toure Rider, In Ed
Megan Flocken GAU Rep	David Lee Henry, Dir., Admissions
Tur, Jared GPSC	Michael Wrona,
	Roger Brindley, AVP USF World
	Cindy DeLuca - Innovative Education

APRIL MINUTES

Quorum called and members welcomed at 1 pm

There were no public comments

The March meeting minutes were moved, seconded and unanimously approved

Chair report was given by Dr. Thompson

Dr. Thompson noted that legislative action relative to open gun carry and concealed weapon carry on campus was not approved. Dr. Dwayne Smith noted that concealed carry on campus is not allowed but registered gun owners can drop their weapons off with the police in the morning and retrieved when leaving campus. Dr. Smith also noted that the "Stand your ground" criteria have been lowered.

Dean's Report

Dr. Smith noted that many of the Graduate School offices are being renovated and modernized. The annual report is being finalized and a link will be sent to members. With regard to higher education appropriations, there was no new information at this point but he noted that performance based metrics are still in place.

Assistant Dean's Report

Dr. Bahr announced that the Florida Council of Graduate Deans will be hosted on campus and the statewide research symposium will be held in the Galleria on Friday. She also noted that work on streamlining the graduate admissions is in process.

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Policy/Fellowship committee

Dr. Steve Permut reported on activities of the committee which included issues related to time to completion of degree, reviews of three year degrees from non-Bologna institutions, and requirements for common cores across all CIP codes. The Office of Graduate Studies is working closely with colleges to bring all majors into compliance with BOG and USF regulations. The council members noted that 'will be a major effort across all academic units.' Dr. Permut also stated that the major professor issue was tabled but the spirit of flexibility for committees was endorsed.

Curriculum committee

Dr. Amy Thompson reported on committee activities. There were many course approvals completed by the committee. A handout for programs was prepared to help with the submission process so as to avoid common mistakes that members have observed in the applications. There was a report on dual major programs (MBA and MS) with the information that each has to have 30 credits, and this does not include shared credits.

New Business

There was a lengthy discussion about the requests from the College of Engineering for Accelerated Bachelor to PhD degrees, with no masters degree awarded along the way, as the advantage to students was not apparent, and very few universities allow this type of program. Some members felt that this would be a way to attract the best and brightest students to USF.

The following individuals were elected for the 2017-2018 academic year:

Dr. Steve Permut: Chair of the Council

Dr. Russell Kirby: Vice-Chair of the Council

Dr. Tamara Taylor: Secretary of the Council

Dr. Ingrid Bahner: Chair of the Policy Committee

Dr. Vonzell Agosto: Chair of the Curriculum Committee

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Groer, Secretary