

Council Chair: Steve Permut	
Policy/Fellowship Committee	EX OFFICIO (NON-VOTING)
Bahner, Ingrid - POLICY CHAIR	Dwayne Smith, Dean, OGS
Buck, Harleah	Paul Sanberg, VP, Research and Innovation
Cohen, Donna - sabbatical	Ruth Bahr, Assoc. Dean, OGS
Guldiken, Rasim	Shyam Mohapatra, Assoc Dean, Pharmacy
Schaum, Brittany – GS Rep	Erin Sauer, Co-Pres, GAU (2017-2018)
Shaw, Lindsey - not in attendance	Marcy Cockrell, Co-Pres GAU (2017-2018)
Seibel, Brad	
Wecker, Lynn	
Wheeler, Pat	
White, Ashley – GS Rep not in attendance	
Xue, Bin	
TBA – PH	
TBA - TA	
Curriculum Committee	LIAISONS
Agosto, Vonzell - CURRICULUM CHAIR	Carol Hines-Cobb, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS
Dave, Vrushank	Joseph Butts, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS Ab
Hallock-Muller, Pam GTM	Brandis Waiz, OGS Course Liaison
Kirby, Russell – VICE CHAIR	Toure Rider, In Ed – Grad Certificates
Lee, Sang-Hie	Renita Wasilefsky – Grad Certificates
Martyn, Kevin – GS Rep	Paul Crawford., Graduate Admissions
Plank, Richard	Cynthia Brown Hernandez, System Academics
Savachkin, Alex - not in attendance	Michael Wrona, SACSCOC Liaison
Taylor, Tomaro – COUNCIL SECRETARY	Roger Brindley, AVP USF World
TBA – AS	Cindy DeLuca - Innovative Education
TBA – AS	
TBA - BC	
TBA - NR	

FEBRUARY MINUTES

- At 1:02 PM, noticing the immediate lack of a quorum, Council Chair Permut opened the floor for informal discussion and reporting.
- Dean's and Associate Dean's Reports

Dean Smith briefly discussed the potential “reunification” of the USF system, and emphasized certain aspects of negotiations and the proposed bill that could impact the Office of Graduate Studies and the Graduate Council. Items of particular interest include opportunities for regional campus faculty to engage with doctoral students and unionization of adjunct faculty. Administration is currently looking at Arizona State and Ohio State universities as models for regional campuses with a central, governing body.

Associate Dean Bahr reported the distribution of graduate fellowship notifications for the Presidential Doctoral (8), Graduate Student Success (12), and Delores Auzenne (2) fellowships. Applications for remaining awards were due Friday, 2/16.

Dr. Bahr reminded Council attendees that recruitment monies have been distributed to departments, which makes it an opportune time to make contact with applicants and cultivate leads. A Council member inquired about recruiting efforts on a whole; Dr. Bahr reiterated (from a previous meeting) that data/reports would be run following implementation of the new admissions program.

The Graduate Student Research Symposium is March 21. This is the first time judges will be able to review posters virtually. Judges reviewing materials online will be required to submit written feedback to presenters. Council Chair Permut encouraged all Council members to attend.

- Chairperson Permut called the meeting to order at 1:25 PM after a quorum was reached. Welcome and introductions followed.

4. There was no public comment on agenda items.
5. The January 22, 2017 minutes were approved unanimously.
6. Curriculum Committee Chair Agosto presented the Curriculum Action Item— expanded description of a non-thesis project option for the Criminology MA. A motion to accept the changes passed unanimously.
7. Committee Reports
 - a. Curriculum Committee: Chairperson Agosto reported that there had been no significant issues in the review process. Dr. Agosto and Ms. Hines-Cobb noted a recent CIP code change for Applied Behavior Analysis. Dr. Agosto acknowledged the importance of having program representatives and asked attendees to encourage faculty to appear in support of their proposals.
 - b. Policy/Fellowship Committee: Chairperson Bahner reported on recent presentations to the committee and noted that the committee is working towards understanding and resolving issues centered on affiliated faculty with graduate students and English language proficiencies of graduate assistants.

Committee reports were approved unanimously.

8. Chair's Report

On March 7, Council Chair Permuth will meet with the Senate Executive Committee to discuss the Graduate Council's work. He and Dr. Bahr will make a presentation to Faculty Senate on March 21. Chairperson Permuth asked all Council members to consider all substantive issues that should be shared with the Faculty Senate and the Senate Executive Group. He asked for comments to be submitted by February 28.

9. New Business - none.
10. The meeting adjourned at 1:50PM.

Next meetings: Committees March 5; Full Council: March 19

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