

# Minutes of the Graduate Council

## October 3, 2000

*As approved by the Graduate Council, November 7, 2000*

**Members present:** A. Barkley, A. Bennett, A. Brightman, K. Brooks, K. Carpenter, A. Cochran, M. Collinson, L. Davis, J. Dees (J. McCulloh proxy), L. Freeman, L. Glasgow, P. Gormely, K. Hughey, S. Kiefer, H. Marcoux, J. McCulloh, E. Minton, B. Niehoff, D. Sachs, C. Shanklin, K. Shultis, J. Staver, G. Stewart, C. Thompson, L. Thurston (K. Hughey proxy), D. Vruwink (B. Niehoff proxy), M. White (C. Shanklin proxy), K. Williams, N. Zhang

**Members absent:** G. Bailey, T. Bolton, C. Lubbers, B. Montelone, C. Rice, R. Trewyn

**Graduate School staff present:** J. Barnhart, J. Guikema, B. McGaughey

The meeting was called to order by Associate Dean Jim Guikema at 3:33 p.m. in Room 213, Student Union.

### 1. Opening Remarks.

Included in the agenda packet is "Accrediting Bodies Consider New Standards for Distance-Education Programs," from *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (9/8/2000) which will be relevant to K-State's accreditation in 2002. The Graduate School and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will submit appropriate materials to be used by the central committee.

Adult Student Services has documented that adult learners as a community on campus have been diminishing over the past five years, which is in marked contrast to increases in some graduate programs where many are adult learners.

The Electronic Dissertation Task Force final report has been presented to Dr. Brice Hobrock, Dean of the Libraries. One of the items calls for a pilot project to be implemented this year which will look at the work flow that will occur to move from paper to electronic copies of theses, reports and dissertations. Discussion followed.

Wichita State University Graduate Council is considering a joint Ph.D. program in disability studies with the University of Kansas. K-State might also want to consider a partnership.

2. **Minutes.** The minutes of the September 5, 2000, meeting were approved as amended.

3. **Graduate School Actions and Announcements**

a. **Appointments for Graduate Faculty Membership**

| <b>Name</b>         | <b>Department/Program</b> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Barbara Lohse Knous | Human Nutrition           |
| Kelly Hong Liu      | Geology                   |

Kent A. McVay  
Walter C. Renberg  
Donald C. Robertson

Agronomy  
Clinical Sciences  
Pathobiology

b. **Emergency Non-Graduate Faculty to teach Graduate Courses** (*One-year Approval*)

| <b>Name</b> | <b>Department/Program</b> | <b>Courses</b> | <b>Term</b> | <b>Date</b> |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| John Black  | Special Education         | EDSP           | 833         | S01         |

4. **Academic Affairs Committee**

1. **Graduate Faculty nominations:**

It was moved and seconded that the following faculty members be approved for Membership and/or Certification to direct doctoral students. The motion passed.

1. **for MEMBERSHIP ONLY**

| <b>Name</b>                      | <b>Department/Program</b>           |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Name Position Department/Program |                                     |
| Susan Enea Adamchak              | Sociology, Anthropology & Soc Work  |
| Sherry A. Benton                 | Counseling & Educational Psychology |
| Peter A. Kulakow                 | Agronomy                            |
| Dale F. Leikam                   | Agronomy                            |
| Charlie L. Rife                  | Agronomy                            |

2. **for MEMBERSHIP AND CERTIFICATION**

| <b>Name</b>        | <b>Department/Program</b> |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Kevin S. Blake     | Geography                 |
| Scott Hemenover    | Psychology                |
| Robert P. Hunter   | Anatomy and Physiology    |
| Marianne Korten    | Mathematics               |
| Denis Medeiros     | Human Nutrition           |
| Christopher Pinner | Mathematics               |

3. **for CERTIFICATION ONLY**

| <b>Name</b>            | <b>Department/Program</b>          |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Patrick Akard          | Sociology, Anthropology & Soc Work |
| Susan J. Brown         | Biology                            |
| Johanna Anita Dieleman | Agronomy                           |
| David W. Freeman       | Mechanical & Nuclear Engineering   |
| Allan K. Fritz         | Agronomy                           |
| John C. Galland        | Pathobiology                       |
| Anne Myers Kelley      | Chemistry                          |

David F. Kelley  
Donald C. Robertson  
Robert S. Zeigler

Chemistry  
Pathobiology  
Plant Pathology

2. **Course and curriculum changes:**

It was moved and seconded to approve courses proposed for graduate course change. Motion passed.

i. **CHANGE**

LAR 898. Thesis Proposal Writing from C/NC to letter grade evaluation.

5. **Graduate Student Affairs Committee**

There are no items to bring forward at this time.

6. **Graduate School Committee on Planning**

The second reading of the residency requirement from the *Graduate Handbook* (Chapter 2, Section H and Chapter 3, Section H) was revised to read "The Graduate School has no general residence requirement for master's/doctoral degrees, but individual programs may establish requirements of their own."

J. McCulloh clarified the clerical error to eliminate Chapter 3, Section O, EdD Degree which describes the degree as well as residency. The first three sentences will remain. Beginning with the fourth sentence, the remainder of this section will be deleted.

Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to return this to committee for revision; the motion passed. Fall 2001 implementation was suggested.

7. **Graduate Student Council Information**

H. Marcoux reported travel grants are due November 1, 2000. Individual group budgets are due November 6, 2000. Applications for both are accessible on-line. There are three new groups represented on the GSC: Trio, Music Record Student Association, and Business Administration Graduate Student Association.

8. **Other business**

Grantwriting Workshops will be held October 12th.

Council was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.