

Date: May 26, 2010

To: Members of UAMS Graduate Council and All Other Graduate Faculty

From: Ms. Terri Hutton, Chair

Subject: Graduate Council Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2010

Members Present: Drs. Benes, Cranmer, Das, Goodwin, Gottschall, Hays, Mays, Simmen, Wessinger, Mr. Haas, Ms. Reynolds, Dr. Alexei Basnakian substituting for Dr. Hinson, Dr. Marie Chow substituting for Dr. Soderberg and Dr. Alan Diekman substituting for Dr. Abraham.

Members Absent: Drs. Abraham, Greene, Hendrickson, Hinson and Soderberg.

Non-voting Members Present: Dr. Robert E. McGehee, Jr., Mr. Jackie McRoberts and Ms. Pattie Hamilton

Non-voting Members Absent: Dr. Kristen Sterba

Attendees: Dr. Madan Dey, UAPB Aquaculture Program and Mr. Kevin Kim, President elect for Graduate Student Association.

Ms. Hutton called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 18, 2010 meeting were approved.

2. Administrative Items

Dr. McGehee thanked all Commencement marshals for their participation. Dr. McGehee announced the first two of the Dean's Distinguished Scholars have graduated. Dr. McGehee stated the annual Brunch was well attended. Dr. McGehee thanked all the outgoing Graduate Council members for their service. Dr. McGehee introduced Kevin Kim, President-elect of the Graduate Student Association (GSA). Dr. McGehee thanked the GSA for their stellar job organizing and implementing student activities.

Dr. McGehee announced that the UAPB Aquaculture Program has been recommended for approval by ADHE.

Dr. McGehee announced the IMSD site review went well.

Report from Dr. Sterba

In Dr. Sterba's absence, Dr. McGehee announced Dr. Sterba will attend the SAEOPP McNair Conference the end of June to promote all of the graduate programs.

Report from Graduate Student Association

Ms. Reynolds reported that the GSA sponsored many events this year. The events included a Welcome Back Picnic at Lake Ouachita, Doughnut Wednesdays, Movie Nights, Paintball Wars, Bowling at Millennium Bowl and a year end Buffalo River Canoe Trip.

1. Old Business

None

2. New Business

None

3. Reports from Committees

Assessment Committee – Dr. Das reported assessments are complete for Audiology and Speech Pathology, Neurobiology and Developmental Sciences and Microbiology and Immunology. The Council accepted the assessment as presented. The assessment will be on file in the Graduate School Office.

Curriculum Committee – Mr. Haas reported that the Committee recommended one course application NBDS 5161, Neuronal Signals for approval. The Council approved the recommendation. Mr. Haas stated the Committee advises revisions be made to the curriculum approval form. The Committee will look at this once they reconvene in late August/ September.

Faculty Committee – In Dr. Soderberg's absence, Ms. Hutton reported the Committee met and recommended one application be approved for Dr. Samuel Atcherson from Audiology and Speech Pathology. The Council approved this recommendation.

4. Announcements

None

The meeting adjourned at 4:35.