




Graduate School

Date: September 14, 2017
To: Members of the UAMS Graduate Council and All Other Graduate Faculty
From: Dr. Eric Peterson, Chair 
Subject: Graduate Council Meeting Minutes – August 17, 2017

Members Present: Drs. Antino Allen, Naveen Nagaraj, Dan Voth, Joshua Phelps, Melanie MacNicol, William Fantegrossi, Trish Wright, Boris Zybaylov, and Frank Simmen.

Members Absent: Drs. Andrew James, Gunnar Boysen, and Jerry Ware.

Non-voting Members: Drs. Robert McGehee, Kristen Sterba, and Allyson Douglass

Administrative Items:

Dr. McGehee shared that the Chancellor search was on-going since the 2 finalists had withdrawn from the search. It was not a new search; it would be on-going based off of who they had that had already applied.

He reminded everyone about the Razorback game on 8/31 and asked them to look at their emails regarding the information he had sent regarding it. He reminded everyone that the Graduate School office workers would be working from home and answering emails but would not be on campus at all. He encouraged classes to be cancelled if they could because of the parking situation.

Dr. McGehee reminded everyone that the Research Induction Ceremony is going to be held on 9/18/2017 from 3-5pm in IDW 126. He reminded everyone that this is a black out time on the schedule and our students should not be in class during this time. He shared that we have over 30 people that will be involved in the ceremony this year.

He shared that Career Day will be held on October 12th. All speakers have been lined up for this and the workshop for students in the afternoon will be led by one of the speakers that is from outside of UAMS. He is looking forward to that being a good event.

Dr. McGehee also shared that Fayetteville and Biomedical Informatics are working on an MOU together to allow students to share classes for degrees from both of those programs. This is in process and has not been approved yet.



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Dr. Sterba reminded everyone that Spring 2018 courses were due on 9/15. She had sent that information to program directors to share with their faculty. The course instructor also had to reserve the room for the Spring 2018 term.

Report from the Graduate Student Association:

No new business.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Dr. Sterba reminded everyone that Graduate School students were only required to attend the Exposure workshop and bridging activity for IPE. They are not required to do anything over that point. She shared that the IPE webpage was up to date and the events were listed there for students and faculty to see. She said she would email that link to everyone.

She also shared that the last session for the summer term for training in GUS had happened but that they would have more this Fall term. She shared that the training schedule will be on the Student Information System page on the website.

Reports of Committees

Curriculum Committee:

The curriculum committee for 2017-2018 is:

Andrew James – Chair

Antino Allen

Naveen Nagaraj

Josh Phelps

Frank Simmen

Jerry Ware

There was no new curriculum to discuss.

Faculty Committee:

The faculty committee for 2017-2018 is:



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Gunnar Boysen – Chair

Dan Voth

Melanie MacNicol

Bill Fantegrossi

Boris Zybaylov

Patricia Wright

The following faculty were approved:

Dr. Tiffany Weinkopff

Dr. Samantha Kendrick

Dr. Marie Burdine

Academic Senate:

Dan Voth shared that the next Academic Senate meeting would be on 8/30 at 2 p.m.

Adjourned at 4:40.

