




Graduate School

Date: May 26, 2016
To: Members of the UAMS Graduate Council and All Other Graduate Faculty
From: Dr. Sam Atcherson, Chair 
Subject: Graduate Council Meeting Minutes – May 19, 2016

Members Present: Drs. Tina Crook, Frank Simmen (for Patty Wight), Eric Peterson, Paul Prather, Antino Allen, Mari Davidson, Seongkum Heo, Dan Voth, Gunnar Boysen, and Mr. Wezley Griffin

Members Absent: Drs. Andrew James, and Mark Menemeier

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

Administrative Items:

Dr. McGehee reminded the committee that Commencement would be held on Saturday, May 21st at 3 p.m. and stated participants would need to be there by 1 p.m. The Graduate School Brunch was held prior to Commencement at Embassy Suites at 10 a.m.

Dr. McGehee stated that the process of cross-listing college courses was not final yet for the Fall 2016 term.

Dr. McGehee announced the new Graduate Council Representatives for 2016-2020 for Communication Sciences and Disorders and Clinical Nutrition. These representatives are Dr. Joshua Phelps (NUTR) and Dr. Naveen Nagaraj (CSD). There is a run-off election for the Pharmacology representative. Dr. McGehee thanked Dr. Sam Atcherson for being the chair of Graduate Council for the past two years. Dr. Eric Peterson was elected the new chair for Graduate Council for 2016-2018.

Dr. McGehee informed the committee that new courses and changes to courses would be due earlier for future semesters due to OUR deadlines. The 2017 Spring term new courses and changes to courses are due by 9/1/2016.

Dr. McGehee reported that the first Graduate Council of the 2016-17 academic year would be held in August. Committees will be set up at that meeting.

Dr. Sterba requested suggestions for Career Day speakers especially UAMS Ph.D. alumni. Career Day will be held on 10/6/2016.



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Report from the Graduate Student Association:

Wezley reported that faculty could order the new GSA t-shirt for next year through the GSA's website.

The last Pizza Friday would be held on 5/20, and the canoe trip will be 6/18.

Old Business:

Dr. McGehee reported that the Graduate School would only require students to complete up to the Exposure phase of the Interprofessional Education (IPE) curriculum framework for 2016-2017.

New Business:

Dr. McGehee stated that graduate students would begin receiving the Academic Senate calendar announcements from Dr. Voth in order to see the list of research seminars they might be interested in attending.

Reports of Committees

Curriculum Committee:

No new business.

Faculty Committee:

Drs. Ussery, Newtkaew, Pechous, and Bush were approved for graduate faculty status.

Academic Senate:

Dr. Voth and the Academic Senate leadership will be meeting monthly with the provost. Dr. Voth invited all faculty to attend the academic senate meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.