

MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting: Thursday, September 6, 2007
Time and Location: 11:15 a.m. Bond Hall
Minutes Prepared By: Erica Wright

1. Attendance at Meeting

Dr. Sam Hines	<u>Absent</u>
Dr. Ray Jones	Dr. Kathy Brown
Dr. David Allen	Dr. Kerry Lassiter
Dr. Mark Bebensee	Dr. George Williams
Dr. John Carter	<u>Ex-officio members & Guests</u>
Dr. Stephen Comer	Marcia Bonica - CGPS
Dr. Margaret Francel	Katie Gibson - CGPS
Dr. Sheila Foster	Kathy Jones - CSBA
Dr. Kathy Grenier	Sylvia Nesmith -Registrar
Dr. Will Johnson	Katey Rabon – SGA representative
Dr. Angela LeClercq	Dr. David Trautman – Faculty Council
Dr. Kristy Johnson (for Dr. Rosenblum)	Erica Wright - Recorder
Dr. Kathy Richardson-Jones	
Dr. Bob Steed	

2. Meeting Notes

Call to Order

Dr. Hines called the meeting to order at 11:15.

Dr. Jones made two administrative announcements:

- Ray introduced Erica Wright as the new recorder and Katey Rabon was introduced as the SGA representative.
- CGPS has a new graduate degree program – Master of Arts in Education in Mathematics – which brings the number of voting members to 17. Dr. Stephen Comer is the representative to the Graduate Council.

Old Business

The Minutes of April 12, 2007 were approved unanimously with one correction. The second to last line is corrected to read “The next Graduate Council meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2007.”

New Business

Presentation of the CGPS Name Change

- Dr. Jones discussed the background of the CGPS name change and explained that a thorough research process was undertaken that consisted of a strategy session with marketing executives, test marketing the new name and multiple surveys of CGPS

students and alumni. With the implementation of the new name, CGPS hopes to execute a branding campaign that will increase awareness, recognition, and possibly enrollments.

- With the implementation of CGPS' new name, a question was raised about the possibility of moving undergraduate administrative functions to the Registrar's office. Dr. Jones said this need to be given more thought.
- Dr. Hines provided the council with information regarding the approval process and explained that the next step will be for General Rosa to brief the Board of Visitors at the next meeting which is scheduled for September 7th & 8th.
- The name change was approved without objection.

Graduate Council Meeting Times

- Dr. Jones explained the constraints on meeting times and why only certain times are viable for Graduate Council meetings. Dr. Hines opened the floor for a discussion on meeting times. The Council unanimously agreed to meet on Thursdays at 11:15 am.

Overview of Coming Academic Year

- Dr. Hines briefed the council about his role as provost and what he hoped to accomplish during his first year.

Other Matters

- Katie Gibson suggested that marketing and recruiting become a collaborative effort between her department and each academic department to maximize effectiveness and to eliminate duplicate efforts. CGPS is currently working with an outside marketing agency to create new brochures for each graduate program that will be useful for marketing & recruiting efforts. The Deans will be briefed soon and department heads shortly after.
- The issue of CGPS offering online courses was discussed. Dr. Hines mentioned that he would like to look into the possibility of offering blended courses.

3. Action Items		
Action	Assigned to	Due Date
None		