Graduate Council Meeting
Friday, August 23, 2019
1:00 p.m.
GIVE Center Room 130
Minutes

- Present: Sallie Coke, Carrie Cook, Sandra Gangstead, Diane Gregg, Lynn Hanson, Tina Holmes-Davis, Mandy Jarriel, Chris Lowery, Al Mead, Sheri Noviello, Joe Peters, Parris Story and Stephen Wills. Guest: Kay Anderson

- Approval of Minutes: April 2019 minutes approved

- Election of Chair: Al Mead was nominated and unanimously elected to serve as Chair

- Election of Secretary: Lynn Hanson was nominated and unanimously elected to serve as Secretary

- Review of Graduate Council By-laws
  - ARTICLE V - OFFICERS, Item C - Change this statement to reflect the election of a Secretary to take the minutes at each meeting rather than the administrative assistant for the Director of Graduate Studies. The Chair of Graduate Council will review the current statement and make a recommendation to the Council members for a vote at the next meeting. Current statement: *The administrative assistant for the Director of Graduate Studies shall serve as secretary for the Graduate Council and shall be responsible for recording the minutes of all meetings and adding to the online database.*

- New Proposals
  - College of Education
    - Proposed Changes to Secondary MAT Program
      1) Replace EDRD 5120 Teaching Reading with EDRD 6150 Literature, Reading and Writing in Content Field
      2) Change the exit requirement of “take and pass GACE content test” to “take GACE content test” only.
      3) Add EDFS 5001 as a pre-requisite to EDFS 6466 Student Teaching
    - Proposed changes unanimously approved by Graduate Council

  - College of Health Sciences
    - Motion to classify five semester hours as full-time status for nursing students (see attached memo for detailed justification of motion).
    - Motion unanimously approved by Graduate Council

- Other
  - CoAS: A few graduate faculty nominations have been submitted and are on the way through the approval process
  - CoB: Largest MLSCM cohort to date; largest number of new MMIS students in several years; WebMBA (online MBA) cohort up from last fall; continued competition from new online MBA programs across country continues to be a recruitment issue for WebMBA program
  - CoEd: Continued expansion of graduate education programs; enrollment up 43% since 2017; 45% of GCSU graduate credit hour production; need lines to cover courses – currently staffing many graduate
courses with part-time and limited-term instructors; first Ed.D. cohort of five students began Summer 2019 and did well first semester
- CoHS: First classes in Athletic Training and Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner programs offered; awaiting pre-accreditation visit for nurse midwifery program
- Interim Associate Provost/Director of Graduate School shared a flow chart for curriculum approval workflow and a handout listing the current Graduate Council membership (see attachments)
- Dr. Lowery shared a concern from business faculty regarding the definition of “associate” graduate faculty. The committee discussed that the wording was in line with SACS terminology. Dr. Lowery also suggested adding the statement “attach additional supporting documentation” to the DocuSign instructions. Office of Provost will be sending letters to faculty who have been awarded graduate faculty status
- Next meeting scheduled for September 13, 2019 at 1:00 pm
- Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Hanson