

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO
DOCUMENTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL
ACTION MINUTES

November 7, 2000

The third meeting of the Graduate Council for the 2000-2001 academic year was held in room 4.03.08 John Peace Library Building, November 7, 2000.

Present: Mark Allen, Ron Alexander, Stephen Amberg, Stephan Bach, Robert J. Bayley, Beverly Bunch, Thomas Bylander, Frances Colpitt, Keith Fairchild, Robert Fuhrman, Daniel Gelo, Rosalind Horowitz, Palani-Rajan Kadapakkam, Amir Karimi, Cynthia Katz, Michael Kelly, Hugh Maynard, Frank Pino, Cherylon Robinson, Andra N. Schreiner, Chia Shih, Kasey Songy, Raydel Tullous, Diane Walz, Kenneth Wunderlich and Su Zhou

Absent: John Adams, Sos Agaian, Blandina Cardenas, James Chambers, Aaron Cassill, Brian Davies, William Flanery, Michael Gilbert, Larry Golden, Luis Haro, David Katims, Neil Maurer, Mary Helen Pratte, David Sebald, Ted Skekel and Ram Tripathi

Excused: Mark Alford, Juan J. Gonzalez, Glenn Dietrich, Jeanne C. Reesman, Deborah Armstrong

Visitor: Paul Westmeyer

I. Call to order and taking of attendance

In Dr. Armstrong's absence, Dr. Walz called the meeting to order at 3:35.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as distributed.

III. Reports

A. Council Chair

Dr. Armstrong was unable to attend the meeting. Dr. Walz officiating in her presence called for a vote to accept the Graduate Council Secretary's Annual Report as in Attachment A of the Documents and Proceedings (pages 2259-2261). A motion was made and seconded and the report was unanimously approved.

B. Interim Dean of Graduate Studies

No report

C. Secretary

- 1) Dr. Walz announced the following replacements to the Graduate Council: a) her replacement in the Council as representative to the Master of Science in Information Technology will be Dr. Glenn B. Dietrich. He will serve the remaining term ; b) Dr. James Chalmers will represent the Ph.D. in Biology (replacing Dr. Armstrong who is now Chair); c) Dr. Aaron Cassill will represent the Master of Science in Biotechnology.
- 2) Dr. Walz referred to the *ad hoc* Nominating Committee a request for nominations to replace her as a member of the Administrative and Agenda Committee. The *ad hoc* Nominating Committee is also working on nominations for replacing Dr. Armstrong in the Graduate Programs and Courses Committee.

D. Committee on Graduate Programs and Courses

No report

E. Membership Committee

- 1) Dr. Wunderlich announced to the Council that he received an application for Special Member status for Dr. Patricia A. Broderick and asked that this name be added to the list in Attachment B of the Documents and Proceedings, page 2262. Dr. Wunderlich reported that the information listed in Dr. Broderick's application and vita qualify her for Special Membership. Dr. Broderick will serve as an outside reviewer in a dissertation committee for a doctoral student scheduled to graduate in December 2000. The Council voted to approve the amended list as in Attachment A.
- 2) The Membership Committee met and discussed the possibility of amending or deleting the Biographical Form. The form is submitted with the Application for Graduate Faculty Membership to determine eligibility. This form was also part of the packet for appointment of new faculty and is no longer required by the Provost's Office. The Committee recommends that the form be abolished and that the current vitae serve as the only means used to evaluate the eligibility of the faculty. Discussion arose asking if sufficient information to determine membership would be provided in the vita. Dr. Wunderlich commented that if any information is lacking, clarification needed, or questions arise, the Committee will refer to the Division for information before final decision is made. A motion was made and seconded and the Committees' recommendation was approved by acclamation.

F. Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation

Dr. Maynard gave a status report on the two pending outside evaluators' visit for the Master of Taxation and Master of Science of in Accounting. The team of evaluators for both programs is scheduled to be on campus this week. Still pending is the arrival of the Master of Music outside evaluators' report.

G. Committee on Academic Policy and Requirements

No report at this time. Leave of absence and deferred admission for doctoral student issues will be studied when sufficient information on all doctoral programs is available.

IV. Unfinished Business

Dr. Mark Allen asked if the President had approved the Senate Minutes that contain the item referring to the revised Graduate Council Bylaws. The response was that the President has not yet approved the Bylaws.

V. New Business

None

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

ATTACHMENT A

AMENDED

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Special Members

William Conklin
Louay Saadi
Irwin Zucker

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL & FINE ARTS

Members

Norma Elia Cantu
Bill V. Mullen

Associate Members

Xunwu Chen
Jeraldine Kraver
Vicki A. Mayer
Carlos Salinas
William Weitzel

Special Members

Michael Looney
Robert Sennhauser

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Special Member

Patricia A. Broderick