

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO

DOCUMENTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL
ACTION MINUTES

March 4, 2003

The fifth meeting of the Graduate Council for the 2002-2003 academic year was held in room 4.03.08, John Peace Library Building, March 4, 2003.

Membership list missing.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:35p.m.
- II The minutes from the February 4, 2003 meeting were approved as written.
- III Reports
 - A. Council Chair (Victor Heller)

Dr. Heller announced that the council is looking for a replacement for Art Vega, as chair of the Academic Policy and Requirements Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to allow Professors Glenn Dietrich and Jan Clark (Department of Information Systems) to address the council about a proposed cooperative program between UTSA's MSIT degree and the National Defense University.
 - B. Dean of Graduate Studies (Dorothy Flannagan)

Dr. Flannagan reported that the site visit for the proposed Environmental Science & Engineering PhD program will be April 4. No date has been set for the visit for the Cell & Molecular Biology program.
 - C. Secretary (Diane Walz)

The Secretary distributed a spreadsheet containing Spring 2003 enrollments in UTSA graduate programs for the purpose of allocating council representation. As presented in Attachment A, *Documents and Proceeding of the Graduate Council*, page 2407. New programs receiving approval for student enrollment in fall 2003 will be asked to elect a representative after program approval is received.
 - D. Committee on Graduate Programs and Courses (Robert Fuhrman)

The Chair led a discussion of the IS department request for a temporary waiver to allow National Defense University students who enroll in the MSIT program to transfer up to 15 credit hours (of specified courses) from the National Defense University to UTSA. Dr. Fuhrman voiced some of the committee members' concerns and Professors Dietrich and Clark responded to questions from the floor. Professor Dietrich is asking for a two-year

waiver of the limit on transfer credits, covering the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 academic years. During this time he will attempt to establish a joint program with NDU. It was agreed that the Graduate Council may provide guidance, and ultimately, approval, in the design of the joint program. The two-year limit on the proposed waiver will not be extended or exceeded.

The following motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously:

Motion: ...that a temporary waiver be granted to the MSIT program (IS department) to allow National Defense University students to enroll in the MSIT program and to transfer up to 15 hours of specific NDU courses. (This represents 9 credit hours more than the maximum of 6 transfer hours allowed by the graduate catalog.)*

- *NDU Course Global enterprise networking and telecommunications shall substitute for IS 5203-Telecommunication Systems*
- *IS 5563 International Telecommunications Policy substituted by NDU course Developing enterprise security strategies, guidelines, and policies*
- *IS 6203, Introduction to Voice and Data Security Substituted by NDU course Assuring the information infrastructure and Managing information security in a networked environment.*
- *MGT 5043, Management and Behavior in Organizations substituted by NDU course, Process Improvement*
- *MGT 5093, Leadership substituted by NDU course, Leadership.*

E. Membership Committee (Eugene John)

Dr. John reported that his committee had approved 20 faculty for Special Membership and 3 for Membership. These recommendations were unanimously accepted by the Graduate Council.

Professor John called for a vote on the Bylaws change with respect to Graduate Faculty membership. A suggestion from the floor to change "chair" to "co-chair" was supported after discussion. A motion to accept the changes to the bylaws was made and seconded, and passed unanimously.

F. Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation (Victor Heller)

Dr. Heller gave an update on the current program evaluations.

G. Committee on Academic Policy and Requirements

No report.

IV Unfinished Business -- none

V New Business -- none

VI The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.