

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

May 6, 2014

**University Room
BB 2.06.04
3:33-4:20 p.m.**

Present:

Mike Baumann, Onur Bayar, Edward Burian, Michael Cepek, Liao Chen, Alberto Cordova, Sara DeTurk, Jurgen Engelberth, Michael Gardin, Donald Goess, Kevin Grant, Jeff Halley, Anne Hardgrove, Judy Haschenburger, Mary Hatch, Vic Heller, Steven Hoffman, Camaron Hole, Eugene John, Gerald Juhnke, Donald Kurtz, Barbara McCabe, Michael McDonald, James O'Grady, Malgorzata Oleszkiewicz-Peralba, Cornel Pasnicu, Billie Jo Rodriguez, Patricia Sanchez, Elaine Sanders, Page Smith, Johnelle Sparks, Josh Thurow, Marie Tillyer, Lila Truett, Walter Wilson

Absent:

Bernadette Andrea, Richard Armendariz, Joshua Cavazos, Gloria Crisp, Dennis Davis, Ender Finol, Jeannie Hahl, Myung Ko, Hatim Sharif, Ram Tripathi, Weining Zhang

Excused:

Dorothy Flannagan, Drew Stephen

Visitors:

Alan Dutton

I. Call to Order and Taking of Attendance

The May meeting of the Graduate Council was called to order at 3:33 p.m. by the Council Chair Dr. Elaine Sanders. Dr. Sanders asked for a vote to suspend the by-laws in order to allow for guest speakers to respond to the report of the Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation. Motion was made by Dr. Sanders, seconded by Dr. Johnelle Sparks, and approved unanimously.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Dr. Sanders asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 1 meeting as written. A motion was made by Dr. Sparks, seconded by Mary Hatch and the motion passed unanimously.

III. Reports

A. Council Chair (Elaine Sanders)

None

B. Dean of the Graduate School (Page Smith)

Dr. Smith updated the council on: the health status of Dr. Flannagan; special graduate status for non-tenure and tenure track faculty; implementation of UTSA recruiting policies and procedures, and fall enrollments.

C. Secretary (Vic Heller)

Dr. Heller noted that Dr. Elaine Sanders was elected chair of the Graduate Council; Dr. Vic Heller as secretary; and Dr. Johnelle Sparks as parliamentarian.

D. Committee on Graduate programs and Courses (Kevin Grant)

Dr. Kevin Grant presented the M.S. Architecture degree proposals. Discussion followed. The vote of the committee served as a motion to accept. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cornel Pasnicu, and passed unanimously.

E. Membership Committee (Michael Cepek)

Dr. Michael Cepek presented Special Membership applications. (See Attachment A) The vote of the committee served as a motion to accept. The motion was seconded by Dr. Grant, the motion passed unanimously.

F. Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation.

Dr. Heller presented the outside reviewers' report on the Geological Sciences programs followed by council discussion. The vote of the committee served as a motion to accept. The motion was seconded by Dr. Barbara McCabe, and passed unanimously

G. Committee on Academic Policy and Requirements (Sara DeTurk)

None

IV. Unfinished Business

None

V. New Business

None

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.