

Senate Graduate Studies Committee Meeting Minutes

September 13th 2004

Present: J. Driver (Chair), G. Bird, M.A. Gillies, R.A. Keenan, J. MacKenzie, T. O'Shea, W. Parkhouse, C. Sears, V. Ackroyd (secretary)

Guests: J. Busumti-sam, D. Knowler

1. The Agenda were approved
2. Approval of minutes
Moved MAG/Seconded RAK:
 "That the minutes of the meeting of July 12th 2004 be approved"
 Carried
3. Business arising from the minutes
The chair reported that the Preliminary Proposal/Notice of Intent for the MSc in Population and Public Health was approved by SCUP.
New course proposals for SIAT were going to the September meeting of Senate.
4. Report of the chair
 - a. Dr. Trude Heift began her term as associate dean of graduate studies September 1st.
 - b. a graduate student appeal of a progress review is likely to come to SGSC
 - c. the dean and associate dean will begin visiting thesis defences in order to get a better idea of the variety of practices across campus
5. GS 2004.18 Calendar revisions, REM
Moved WP/Seconded CS:
 "To accept the revisions to REM 613 and new course REM 636"
 Carried, pending submission of a Calendar entry for REM 636
6. GS2004.19 Calendar entry for Graduate Studies and proposed new grad course with GRAD designation
Moved MAG/Seconded WP
 "To approve the proposal for a page describing the office of graduate studies in the Calendar"
 Carried

The proposal to create a number of interdisciplinary courses with a GRAD designation, to be administered by the dean of graduate studies was not supported.
7. GS 2004.20 Amended minutes SGSC 12th May 2003
The committee received for information a revision to the minutes of 12th May 2003
8. GS 2004.21 Graduate Certificate in Development Studies
J. Busumti-sam (Political Science) and D. Knowler (REM) were present to answer questions about the revised proposal.

Moved MAG/Seconded WP:

“To approve the Graduate Certificate in Development Studies on one of the following conditions:

(a) if the intention is to proceed with DEV 801 as a core course, the proper paperwork for a new course proposal should be submitted

or

(b) if the steering committee decides to replace DEV 801 with an existing Special Topics course, the Calendar entry be amended to reflect this change”

9. GS 2004.22 Maximum time limits

Moved WP/Seconded TO’S:

“To approve the change to GGR 1.12”

Carried

10. GS 2004.23 Masters of Publishing

Moved MAG/Seconded WP:

“To approve the Calendar revisions to the Masters of Publishing program”

Carried

11. GS 2004.24 Faculty of Science

Moved MAG/Seconded RAK:

“To approve the Calendar revisions in the Departments of Biological Sciences and Molecular Biology and Biochemistry”

Carried

12. New business

The chair reminded the committee of the need to appoint new representatives to ACNGP

Meeting adjourned at 4.15 p.m.