

GRADUATE COUNCIL  
Minutes of Sept. 7, 2007

**Present:** Karen Bell, Kevin Caskey, Barbara Chorzempa, Laurel Garrick Duhaney (Dean), Elizabeth Hester, Gweneth Lloyd, Jan McLaurin, Bernadette Morris, Jonathan Raskin (Presiding Officer), Anat Shaftan, Jane Sileo

**On leave:** Debra Miller

**Excused Absence:** Daniel Kempton

**Guest:** Chih-Yang Tsai

The minutes of the May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved with corrections.

Announcements:

- Laurel acknowledged Jon Raskin for an excellent speech at Convocation
- Laurel distributed a list of programs that are being considered for deregistration. If any of these programs is in your area, please discuss with your colleagues
- The subcommittee on Creative Projects made some recommendations. The completed proposals must be submitted by Oct. 18, 2007 for funding of projects during the spring semester. The application is on the Graduate School website [http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/grant\\_passed.cfm](http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/grant_passed.cfm)
- Laurel attended the International graduate student orientation this year. There were about 70 international graduate students who attended.

Old Business:

- Psychology's Program Proposals in School Counseling - Some education courses have been added. The Master of Science program in Mental Health Counseling has been approved by the State. It must now be approved by the New York State Department of Education. The program is going from 48 credits to 60 credits and there will no longer be a thesis requirement. The plan is to get program approval this year and then to go for KCREP accreditation in the future.
- Graduate Council Elections  
Jon Raskin was elected to serve a three-year term (fall 2007-spring 2010) as Presiding Officer.  
This fall, Jane Sileo will serve in place of Judith Rance-Roney who is on sabbatical and whose term expires spring 2009.  
Kevin Caskey and Narcyz Roztocki will serve the remainder of Michael Guiry's term which ends spring 2009. Kevin will serve fall 2007 and Narcyz will serve spring 2008-spring 2009.  
Anat Shaftan (Fine and Performing Arts) will serve Fall 2007-Spring 2010.  
Elizabeth Hester, Liberal Arts and Sciences) will serve Fall 2007-Spring 2010.

The representative from the School of Science and Engineering has resigned from the Council. We, therefore, need a representative from that division to serve the remainder of that representative's term which expires in spring 2009.

### New Business

- MBA Business Administration and Public Accountancy Program Revisions  
There is currently a CPA track and six other non-CPA tracks  
The program includes 7 foundation (undergraduate courses) courses  
The core is composed of 7 courses  
Three concentration courses and two electives  
There are about 130 students in the program with a majority of students attending part-time. Most courses offered in the evenings at the 6:30-9:20 time slot.  
The SoB is in the beginning stages of the accreditation process. There is a short time frame, so the SoB is interested in expediting the review.  
The program is being revised to be a general MBA program because it is difficult to recruit new faculty in the specialization areas.  
New requirements include:  
Microeconomics and Macroeconomics (before just Micro)  
Statistics I & II (before just Stat 1)  
Must take the GMAT exam (before it was not a requirement)  
Now there are 9 core courses rather than 7. There are no more concentrations and all students must take 3 elective courses.  
The CPA track does not contain any electives.

Laurel requested that she be kept informed about the progress of business students in the undergraduate foundations courses.

There was considerable discussion concerning admission standards for graduate students.

The Council will review the MBA proposals and will take a vote at the next meeting.

- Transfer Credits

The Plan of Study form needs to be revised. The Graduate School is looking for all plans of study to be similar to the suggested template that Laurel shared with Council members.

With Banner we are now required to indicate which SUNY New Paltz course(s) is/are equivalent to the transfer credits. The revised plan of study will therefore include a section to include this information.

Included in the new form is a column labeled "Change."

The Graduate School is advocating to include the Change of Plan of Study as part of the regular plan of study.

After discussion of the new form, it was agreed that a new column will be added to indicate Transfer of courses, which will appear on the back of the form.

All forms must go to the Graduate School Dean before being sent to Mary Kastner in publications for printing.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Bell