

GRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes of October 12, 2007

Present: Inge Anema (for E. Hester) Karen Bell, Kevin Caskey, Laurel Garrick Duhaney (Dean), Daniel Kempton, Gweneth Lloyd, Kate McCoy (for Jane Sileo), Bernadette Morris, Jonathan Raskin (Presiding Officer), Anat Shiftan

On leave: Debra Miller

Guest: Vika Shock

The minutes of the September 28th, 2007 meeting were approved with minor corrections.

- The NCATE visit is scheduled for April 12-16, 2007.

Announcements:

- Science and Engineering has named an elected representative to the Graduate Council who is currently on sabbatical. Jon Raskin conveyed Council members' concern to David Hobby about electing a representative to serve who is on sabbatical. Hobby was contacted because Science and Engineering's previous representative was from the Math Dept., and there is no chair of their faculty governance group.
- *Laurel Garrick Duhaney's office was flooded – some important materials have been lost.*
- There was continued discussion regarding the need for graduate students to have their own association. Some students from Fine and performing Arts met with Laurel Garrick Duhaney to discuss their interest in getting such an association established. Laurel stated it would be a good idea for a group of graduate students to also meet with Vice Presidents David Rooney and David Eaton and perhaps also Ray Schwarz to discuss this issue.

Action Item: [Laurel Garrick Duhaney] Can each of you send names of two responsible grad students from your schools to get involved in this?

Old Business:

New Academic Standing Policies.

- [Bernadette Morris] Is there a method to place a block on registration if students who are on academic probation don't meet with Laurel Garrick Duhaney? Laurel replied that she/her office can put a block on these students' registration. Someone asked what happens in cases when these students have already registered and Dan Kempton suggested that a block be put on the next semester's registration.

Action Item: Karen Bell recommended that we should include a statement about academic probation in the students' acceptance packets.

- Email accounts for alumni

Bernadette Morris suggested that alums can request accounts from Paul Chauvet and Barbara Eckert of Computer Services

- The new course, "Materials Development for the Foreign Language Classroom" was approved, pending a revision of the course description.

New Business

New policies and forms for transfer credits.

- Discussion on which version to use – Version A preferred.
- Laurel Garrick Duhaney distributed changes in the Department of Sociology's graduate catalog description. The department will no longer offer an M.A. in Sociology.

Action item – Laurel Garrick Duhaney was asked to inquire of Anne Roschelle whether the department wishes to freeze the sociology thesis course.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Caskey