The March 1, 2011 meeting of the Council on Graduate Studies was held at 2:00 p.m. in Room 3108 Blair Hall.

Members Present: Dr. Jeff Laursen, Dr. Heidi Larson, Dr. Nora Pat Small, Dr. Rendong Bai, Dr. Assege HaileMariam, Dr. John Willems, Dr. Andrew McNitt, Mr. Paul Johnston, Mr. Isaac Sandidge

Members Absent: Dr. Chris Hanlon will be absent spring 2011 due to teaching abroad: Mr. Paul Johnston is his replacement

Staff Present: Dean Augustine, Mr. Bill Elliott, Ms. Lori Henderson, Ms. Patti Bailey

Guests: Dr. Barbara Carlsward

I. Approval of the February 15, 2011 CGS Meeting Minutes.
John Dively motioned to approve, John Willems seconded. The minutes of February 15, 2011 were approved as written.

II. Communications:
   a. College Curriculum Committee Minutes:
      1. February 16, 2011 College of Business and Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee minutes.
      2. February 25, 2011 College of Sciences Curriculum Committee minutes.
   b. Approved Executive Actions
      1. EA-GS-11-02. Memo from Dean Augustine, request to update catalog language in reference to the degree audit.

III. Items Added to the Agenda:
John Dively motioned to add these items, Nora Pat Small seconded, council approved adding these items to the agenda.
   1. 11-18, OPD 4865, Diversity in Organizations (New Course Proposal)
   2. 11-19, FCS 4845, Family in Crisis (Revised Course Proposal)
   3. 11-20, FCS 4854, Parent/Child Study (Revised Course Proposal)
   4. 11-21, FCS 4860, Addictions and the Family (Revised Course Proposal)
   5. 11-22, Revision to the Thesis Maintenance and Reproduction Certificate

IV. Items Acted Upon
John Dively motioned and John Willems seconded to take up this agenda item immediately, all members agreed. Barbara Carlsward presented the proposal. Council voted unanimously to approve.
   1. 11-23, BIO 4914, Plant Anatomy (Revised Course Proposal)
BIO 4914. Plant Anatomy (2-3-3) A comprehensive study of the internal structure of vascular plants, focusing primarily on the anatomy of seed plants. The course emphasizes plant development and structural-functional relationships. The laboratory component of this class will introduce students to basic microtechniques and emphasize microscopic plant structure. Prerequisites: BIO 1200G or at least 9 semester hours of biological sciences or junior status.
Effective: Fall 2011.

Dean Augustine presented. Council voted unanimously to approve.

2. 11-16, National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) Credit on EIU Transcripts Policy
Credit for Courses in Pursuit of National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) Certification
Graduate credit on a transcript from Eastern Illinois University in pursuit of NBPTS certification will be issued only under the following conditions: The student was enrolled in National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) courses approved for credit at Eastern Illinois University. Eastern offers EDU 5800 NBPTS/Professional Portfolio Development Seminar and EDU 5801 NBPTS/Professional Portfolio Development II for this purpose. These courses meet the standards for graduate credit required by our academic councils and appear on Eastern transcripts when completed.

Dean Augustine presented. Council voted unanimously to approve with the addition of “not to exceed five years.”

3. 10-22, Revision to Graduate Faculty Status Policy with Waiver Language

Waivers of Associate Member Limitations: Occasionally, Associate Graduate Faculty Members hold specialized expertise that can enhance the quality of graduate study in a program even though these members are ineligible for Regular Membership. In these cases, programs may petition the Council on Graduate Studies to waive the standard limitations and authorize the Associate Member privileges to perform duties reserved for Regular Members. Such privileges may include service on a thesis committee, contributions to a curriculum committee, or support for the graduate program in other specialized ways. In these cases, the Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator should provide a petition to the Council via the Graduate Dean to waive the standard limitations for a specified period of time. The request must include identification of the specific privileges the Associate Member will perform for the program, a rationale for how this contribution will enhance the quality of graduate study in the program, and evidence that the Members of the Graduate Faculty support the authorization of such privileges to an Associate Member. The waiver may not exceed a period of five years.

V. Committee Reports:
Textbook Advisory- John Willems | no meeting
Library Advisory- Paul Johnston | Booth Research Awards due March 21
Academic Technology (ATAC)- Isaac Sandidge | working on the WebCT replacement issue
Enrollment Management- Dean Augustine | UG aware of ACT score issue, using tools such as the new in-state tuition for ug's in border states; as well as the creating the scholarship director position
Honorary Degree- John Dively | no meeting
GSAC- Bill Elliott (Tina Veale will remain as faculty adviser) | ratified new constitution
Council on Assessment of Student Learning- Nora Pat Small | will present at next meeting
Enrollment Quality and Diversity Board- Assege HaileMariam | focus groups beginning
VII. Dean’s Report:

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m. —Minutes prepared by Ms. Lori Henderson, Staff

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