Items Approved
11-44, Textbook Rental Position Paper

Items Pending
11-22, Revision to the Thesis Maintenance and Reproduction Certificate

Council on Graduate Studies Minutes
September 20, 2011

The September 20, 2011 meeting of the Council on Graduate Studies was held at 2:00 p.m. in 3108 Blair Hall.

Members Present: Dr. Nora Pat Small, Dr. Rendong Bai, Dr. Assege HaileMariam, Dr. Carrie Dale, Dr. John Willems, Ms. Sanja Trtanj, Dr. Newton Key, Dr. Wesley Allan, Dr. Brent Walker (attending as non-voting member until election)

Members Absent: Dr. Andrew McNitt, Dr. Brent Walker

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Elliott, Dr. Mary Herrington-Perry, Ms. Lori Henderson, Dean Augustine

Guests: none

I. Approval of the September 6, 2011 CGS Meeting Minutes.
The minutes of September 6, 2011 were approved as written.

II. Communications:
a. College Curriculum Committee Minutes:
   2. September 16, 2011, College of Sciences Curriculum Committee minutes.

b. Approved Executive Actions
   1. EA-CEPS-11-11, Memo from Dean Jackman requesting to add KSS 5214 to electives list for Kinesiology program
   2. EA-CAH-11-12, Memo from Associate Dean Patty Poulter to clean up Communication Studies courses
   3. EA-LCBAS-11-13, Memo from Dean Izadi to delete FIN 4830 and MBA 5005
   4. EA-AA-11-14, Memo from Assistant Vice President Mary Herrington-Perry to address repeated courses and new restrictions on financial aid

c. Reviewed Executive Actions

d. Faculty Senate Communication
   This fall Provost Lord will appoint a committee to investigate the current and future direction of EIU’s online course and degree offerings. The committee will be composed of two representatives from each college, and one representative each from Faculty Senate, the Council of Academic Affairs, the Council on Graduate Studies, and the Council on Teacher Education. Faculty Senate will nominate its own representative as well as the eight faculty representing the four colleges. Each of the other three councils will nominate their own representatives. Last spring, CGS submitted two names to the Provost for consideration for the committee: Assege Haile-Mariam and Andy McNitt. Faculty Senate is now asking CGS to nominate one representative to the committee, either one of these two individuals or another member of CGS. Faculty Senate would appreciate having the name of CGS’s representative by Friday, September 23.
Andrew McNitt nominated Assege HaileMariam as representative, Newton Key seconded the nomination, the Council unanimously approved the appointment of Assege HaileMariam to represent the CGS on the Provost’s proposed committee to address on-line course and degree offerings. Faculty senate will be notified of the decision.

III. Items Added to the Agenda (Today):

IV. Items Acted Upon

Discussion of the current policies of the TRS included availability of ancillary materials, access for e-readers, lack of incentives to choose least expensive options for students, and problems with the marketing message that TRS is best bargain for students. Nora Pat Small motioned to approve support of the Position Paper, Carrie Dale seconded and vote for support was unanimous with the acknowledgment that current language is insufficient to result in action.

1. 11-44, Textbook Rental Position Paper

V. Committee Reports:

Textbook Advisory- John Willems, no meeting yet
Library Advisory- Newton Key, first meeting Oct. 5
Academic Technology (ATAC)- Rendong Bai, no meeting yet
Enrollment Management- Dean Augustine, meet Sept 23
Honorary Degree- Andrew McNitt, John Willems reported that final committee almost selected
GSAC- Bill Elliott, Carrie Dale- first meeting Sept 30
Council on Assessment of Student Learning- Nora Pat Small- executive summaries distributed to CGS college reps for comment and return to her by Friday
Enrollment Quality and Diversity Board- Assege HaileMariam- meeting w Dean Augustine first of October

VII. Other Items

VIII. Dean’s Report:

Dean Augustine reported on enrollment statistics. The graphs are posted at:
http://castle.eiu.edu/eiucgs/GradEnrollments.pdf

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.  

Minutes prepared by Ms. Lori Henderson, Staff

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