## **Graduate Faculty Council Minutes**

Monday November 1, 2010 3:30-5:00pm Approved with corrections 12/6/10 Video Bridge 22116

Bloomington, Franklin Hall 106 Indianapolis, University Library 2115E East, Whitewater WZ 119 Fort Wayne, Helmke B 37 Kokomo, Main Bldg KO 111 Northwest, Hawthorne HH 338 Southeast, Crestview Hall 028A South Bend, Northside Hall 075B

**Members present**: Shirley Aamidor, Jacqueline Blackwell, David Daleke (ex officio), Alisa Clapp-Itnyre, Deborah Finkel, Alyce Fly, Britney-Shea Herbert, Gail Hickey, Kevin Hunt, Eric Isaacson, Luise McCarty, Vicky Meretsky, Jill Murrell, Sherry Queener (ex officio), P.N. Saksena, Marty Siegel, Sharon Sims, James C. Williams, James Wimbush (ex officio), Jody Smith (University Graduate School)

**Members absent:** Simon Atkinson, , George Bodmer, Maria Bucur-Deckard, John Hassel, Kathy Johnson, Kate Myers, Martha Oakley, Sara Pryor, Maxine Watson (ex officio), Marianne Wokeck, Tara Prater-Hobson (IUPUI GSO), Nick D'Amico (IUB GPSO)

## **Business:**

- 1. The new executive officers were introduced (James Williams, Chair; Gail Hickey, Vice-Chair; Alyce Fly, Secretary)
- 2. **Approval of Minutes** The minutes from May 3, 2010 and October 4, 2010 were both approved unanimously with no revisions (Sims, Saksena)
- 3. **Dean's report** (Dean James Wimbush)
  - a. Recruitment events:
    - i. In October the Graduate School held the "Getting you to IU" recruitment program, initially funded by the AGAP grant to recruit STEM students to the Bloomington and Indianapolis campuses, this year funded by the President's Diversity Initiative for the Bloomington campus to expand to all fields of study. Highly qualified underrepresented minorities were nominated and 21 of these students came to the Bloomington campus for 2-2.5 days for customized recruitment activities. The event was deemed to be highly successful.
    - ii. On November 19, 2010, the Graduate School will host the Indiana University Undergraduate Research Conference, this year on the Indianapolis campus. Sherry Queener and her staff have managed the planning. Undergraduate students will present their research and attend other research presentations in an attempt by the Graduate School to entice these students to consider and apply to Graduate School at Indiana University and elsewhere.

4. Terms for elected members – Members present were given the opportunity to indicate whether they wanted to go up for reelection in the spring or serve the full two year term in an attempt to set up staggered terms so that the council will not completely turnover every two years. Members not present were to be randomly assigned for 1 or 2 year terms by the Secretary, with 50% turnover among the groups at IUPUI, Bloomington and third group (IU East, IU Kokomo, IU Southeast, IU Fort Wayne, IU South Bend, IU Northwest) campuses.

Volunteered to go up for re-election during spring elections	Volunteered to stay on for 2 year term
Luise McCarty	Shirley Aamidor
Vicky Meretsky	Alisa Clapp-Itnyre
Jill Murrell	Deborah Finkel
Sherry Sims	Alyce Fly
	Britney-Shea Herbert
	Gail Hickey
	Kevin Hunt
	Eric Isaacson (either)
	PN Saksena
	Marty Siegel (either)
	James Williams

5. Establishment of GFC Committees – The function of each of the GFC committees was reviewed and discussed at length and volunteers were solicited for each committee. Members that volunteered to serve on committees are shown below. Jim Williams will send out an email to solicit additional volunteers for each of the committees.

Academic Policy Committee - Sherry Sims (IUPUI), Shirley Amidor (IUK), Vicky Meretsky (IUB), Luise McCarty (IUB), Jill Murrell (IUPUI)

Awards Committee – Alisa Clapp-Itnyre (IUE)

Graduate Initiatives Committee - Jacqueline Blackwell (IUPUI), Alyce Fly (IUB), Kevin Hunt (IUB), Deborah Finkel (IUSE)

## New Business:

Discussion of the method for selecting a new member to the Council in case a member is not able to serve out his/her term resulted in the suggestion that other candidates to represent the unit that had been nominated but not elected to the Graduate Faculty Council be considered to fill out the term. The secretary was assigned the task of drafting new language to address procedures for the ByLaws. This language will be presented and discussed at the next Council meeting on December 6, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 5 pm.

Alyce Fly, Secretary