

## Graduate Faculty Council Minutes

Monday, May 3, 2010

3:30-5:00pm

*These minutes were approved on November 1, 2010*

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**Present:** Shirley Aamidor, Jacqueline Blackwell, George Bodmer, Maria Bucur-Deckard, Alisa Clapp-Itnyre, David Daleke, Deborah Finkel, Alyce Fly, John Hassel, Britney-Shea Herbert, Gail Hickey, Kevin Hunt, Eric Isaacson, Kathy Johnson, Luise McCarty, Jill Murrell, Martha Oakley, Sara Pryor, Sherry Queener, Marty Siegel,

**Absent:** Simon Atkinson, Vicky Meretsky, Kate Myers, PN Saksena, Sherry Sims, James Williams, James Wimbush, Marianne Wokeck

### Introductions via video connection (Associate Dean David Daleke)

Dean Daleke also welcomed John Hassel who is replacing retired IUPUI member, James Brown.

### Business:

**1. Approval of Minutes - April 5, 2010 (Associate Dean David Daleke)**

The minutes were approved unanimously.

**2. Dean's report (Associate Dean David Daleke)**

In Dean Wimbush's absence, Associate Dean Daleke reported

- For the first time in Bloomington, there will be a separate commencement for graduate students on Friday, May 7, 2010, 3:00 p.m.
- Sherry Queener reported that IUPUI Ph.D.'s would be hooded on Saturday; other doctoral graduates would be hooded on Sunday.
- Shirley Aamidor shared that IU Kokomo is having a graduate ceremony/hooding on Monday, May 10.

**3. Report of the ad hoc Constitution and Bylaws working group, continued (Associate Dean David Daleke, Professors Deborah Finkel, Kevin Hunt and Marianne Wokeck)**

a. Draft new Graduate Faculty Constitution and Bylaws (version 5)

- The draft of Article IV, section 3 was read. After discussion, members agreed on the following: *"Each school, college or campus with Graduate Faculty shall be entitled to representation on the Council. Each campus shall be entitled to at least one representative."*
- The draft of Article IV, section 4 was read and discussed. Members approved the following: *The Graduate and Professional Student Association (Bloomington) and the Graduate Student Organization (Indianapolis) shall be entitled to elect one representative each to the Council.*
- The draft of Article IV, section 5 was read; after discussion, members agreed on the following: *The faculty members of the Council shall have two-year*

*terms of office, one half of which shall be filled each year. Members shall be eligible for election to a second consecutive two-year term, after which they shall be ineligible for election for one year. Student members shall have one-year terms of office.*

- Article IV, section 6 was read; after discussion, members agreed on the following: *In Spring Semester of each year, the Council shall conduct an election of its representatives. Temporary or permanent vacancies in the Council shall be filled for the duration of the vacancy in accordance with the bylaws of the Council.*
- Members read and approved Article IV, section 7, as written.
- After the reading and discussion of Article IV, section 8, members approved the following: *The Council shall ordinarily meet once monthly from September through April and may meet at other times by the request of the Dean or by decision of the Council.*
- Members read and approved Article IV, sections 9 and 10, as written.
- Article V. Implementation and Amendment, Section 1, was read and approved as written.
- Article V, section 2 was discussed and approved with the amendment of “by paper or electronic ballot” to state as follows: *This Constitution may be amended by approval of the Council and ratification by two-thirds of the Graduate Faculty voting on the issue by paper or electronic ballot.*

b. Final discussions of the meeting

- A member asked how the voting on the Constitution would be conducted. Dean Daleke suggested using Survey Monkey which would allow the voting to be conducted almost immediately. There were no objections.
- A member noted that the Constitution mentions the Bylaws several times. It was decided that the Bylaws would be attached to the Constitution for information to enable voting by the Graduate Faculty.
- It was proposed and approved that the Bylaws, as currently written by the working group, be accepted with the understanding that they can be modified by action of the Council.
- The Council agreed that a brief remonstrance until the end of the week would be helpful before distributing the Constitution to Graduate Faculty.
- They members also agreed that a period of two weeks should be allowed for the voting.
- Dean Daleke pointed out that the Council should elect officers as soon as possible most likely by electronic mail. He also suggested that the Council would want to decide how to run the staggered elections of members as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.