

Minutes Approved Electronically – May 2018

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

640th Meeting

April 2, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beyer, Bond, Gallaher, Herrmann, Hoerchler, Howell, Hwang, James, Jones, Kortegast, Mantzke, Myers, Nordli, Olson, Osorio, Polansky, Porter, Smith, Van Wienen, Wilkins

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bammidi, Barnes, Clarke Arado, Gowen, Mukhopadhyay, Sciammarella, Shah, Shelton

OTHERS PRESENT: Lindell (Substitute Secretary), Smith (Catalog Editor/Curriculum Coordinator)

Approval of Minutes

Howell moved approval of the March 5, 2018 minutes; Mantzke seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Dissertation Completion Fellowship Committee: Bond reported that the DCF Committee had identified six full-time recipients and five part-time recipients. Council members who served on the committee include Gallaher and Jones. Bond thanked them as well as all other representatives.

Wilkins requested that in the future, the total number of applications from each department and college be listed on the DCF Report. Bond thanked Wilkins for the good suggestion.

Graduate Faculty Membership Committee: Bond stated that four departments are undergoing program review, and as part of that process, all graduate faculty are reviewed by the Graduate Faculty Membership Committee. The four units reviewed were Allied Health and Communicative Disorders, Computer Science, Curriculum and Instruction, Geographic and Atmospheric Sciences. All appointments recommended by departments were approved by the committee. There were also three departments that put forward changes to their criteria, and those changes were approved as well.

Graduate School Faculty Awards Committee: Bond reported that 37 proposals were received in response to the Great Journeys Assistantship RFP; 14 were funded. Of those funded, two were from the College of Education, one from Health and Human Sciences, two from the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology, and nine from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences that were awarded. Bond expressed appreciation to all faculty who took the time to respond to the RFP and thanked the review committee for its hard work.

Tuition Waiver Review Committee: Bond noted that the first round of tuition waiver awards have been made. Approximately 40 awards have been offered.

New Business

None

Old Business

Bond noted that earlier in the semester, the Graduate Council tabled a recommendation by the Graduate Council Curriculum Committee to approve three new Ph.D. program proposals in engineering, pending further discussion with the Office of the Provost about how to stage the approval process with the Board of Trustees and the Illinois Board of Higher Education. At the time, Bond had asked for a temporary pause in the approval process, and the council granted it. Since then, the necessary conversations have taken place, and we are ready to move the proposals forward. Howell briefly reminded council of the content of the Ph.D. proposals and made a motion to remove from the table all three; Van Wienen seconded the motion. Mantzke moved to approve the three proposals and Kortegast seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

None