

**Date:** November 13, 2023

**Time:** 3:00pm

**Facilitator:** Thomas Greckhamer

**Location:** School of Music, Room 105 (Virginia Howard Board Room)

Attending Council Members

Thomas Greckhamer, Business – Chair	Andreas Giger, Music & Dramatic Arts – Associate Chair
Sabrina Taylor, Agriculture	Robert Holton, Art & Design
Ken Reichelt, Business	Robert Rohli, Coast & Environment
Chad Seifried, Human Sciences & Education	Scott Wilks, Human Sciences & Education
David Spivak, Science	

Ex-officio in attendance: Carol Wicks, James Spencer, Fahui Wang and Ashley Collins of the Graduate School



3:00 pm      Call to Order

Approval Or Revision of Last Meeting’s Minutes

- Andreas Giger made 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Sabrina Taylor seconded, and Last Meeting’s (October 2023) Minutes was approved unanimously.

Reports:

- Chair’s Report (**Thomas Greckhamer**):
  - College of social science to vote to replace Heather McKillop
    - Not resolved
  - Sent email to Jim about implementation of state law to remove fees.
- Graduate School (James Spencer):
  - Budget Hearings- now in session
    - Graduate school is Wednesday we will meet and explain what the graduate school and what we do.
    - Centered around what one budget will be.
  - GA Student insurance- implemented in Fall.
    - Gallagher did two online sessions. A graduate assistant question and answers.
    - 3 ½ million was the total cost to LSU.
  - Future scholars’ proposal was submitted with undergrad enrollment management.
    - Engage with 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade to get them interested in graduate school through mentorship.
    - EBR schools, underrepresented students

- Carol developed recruiting plan starting Spring 2024
- How do we get a better package at LSU than any other school?
- 5-year program. 12 students per year
- 2024 Fees-spoke with Tommy Smith and he does not see any barriers to implementing the new state law regarding fees for graduate assistants.
- Will follow up with the administration to see if he could get a clear statement regarding saved fees for purposes of recruiting next year's graduate students.
- Calculated \$2,000 in savings for students.
- Academic Affairs (Jackie Bach):
  - No report

#### Old Business:

- Guide to Graduate Faculty Status
  - The Graduate Council discussed Graduate Status Guidelines and decided to adopt the guidelines after dropping a paragraph that referred to the process of faculty losing Graduate Status "in some rare instances involving egregious actions." The Council found that because it is not involved in such investigations it would be inappropriate to advise/offer recommendations regarding such faculty's graduate status. It was recommended that the importance of clarifying the implications of Title IX investigations for a faculty member's graduate status to the Title IX office. "
  - Chad made a motion, Lance seconded, 0 abstained, and the omit 3rd paragraph from Guide to Graduate Faculty Guide was approved unanimously.
- Update on Decoupling - Strike Vote
  - Sabrina made a motion, David seconded, 0 abstained, and strike vote on decoupling taken in October of 2023 in the graduate council meeting was approved unanimously
- Revisit discussion on 7- year rule David Spivak

#### New Business

- Graduation coverage
  - Sabrina Taylor -College of Agriculture
  - Andreas Giger - School of Music
  - Bob Rohli- Coastal and Environmental
  - Anne Grove- Science
- Form D- Social Work
  - David made a motion, Chad seconded and 0 abstained.
  - Unanimously approved Form D
- Continuous Registration
  - Terminate Continuous Registration Policy
  - Will follow what legal suggests.
- ASH Forms- Graduate School

- English Assessment- Andreas made a motion and Sabrina seconded and 0 abstained.
- Unanimously approved.

Committee Report:

- Graduate Faculty Status Committee (Rohli)
  - Had 8 in October
- Graduate Council Constitution Committee (Spivak)
  - Discussion of in Graduate Council members be associate professors or full professors
  - Voted last year that only full professors should serve on the graduate council.
- Memoranda of Understanding Committee (Seifried)
  - New Orleans health approved MOU
  - Shreveport will meet at the end of month.
    - Mov to approve graduate faculty status for other units.
- Awards Committee (Taylor)
  - The committee got with Carol and Kevin and posted on info ready.
    - Info ready portal is now open for applications.
    - Start in January 2024 with review process.
    - Associated chair is the tie breaker.
- Promotion and Tenure Committee (Aghazadeh)
  - No report

Discussion/ Deliberation:

5:01 pm Adjournment (Thomas Greckhamer):

- Chad made a motion to adjourned, Adreas seconded, was approved unanimously.

Future Meetings:

- Monday, December 11, 2023 from 3:00 PM to 4:50 PM // School of Music, Room 105 (Virginia Howard Board Room)

Important Dates:

- Graduation – December 2023

