

## GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

**CHAIRED BY:** David S. Chapman                      **TIME:** 3:00 pm  
**DATE:** April 27, 2009                                      **PLACE:** 300 Park Building

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Marie Breznay, Nicki Camp, Darrell Davis, Martha Eining, Julie Fritz, Paolo Gondolo, Chris Lippard, Jay Mace, John Martinez, John McDonnell Pat Murphy, Sally Planalp, Kevin Rathunde, Mary Jane Taylor, Robert Young

**EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:** David Chapman, Fred Rhodewalt

**EXCUSED:** Nancy Nickman

### FINAL AGENDA

**1. Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of the March 23, 2009 meeting were approved unanimously as distributed.

**2. Proposal to create a Professional Doctorate in Occupational Therapy**

JoAnne Wright presented the revised proposal.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** To table the revised proposal

**Vote:** Approved unanimously (15 yeas)

**Action:** Take the proposal to 5 or 6 members of the Task Force on Professional Doctorates for their recommendations. The proposal should be rewritten and brought back to the Graduate Council.

**3. Proposal to create an expanded Graduate Certificate in Informatics**

John Hurdle and Mollie Poynton presented the proposal. The expanded certificate will have an interdisciplinary approach to informatics in areas relating to health care. In the future, there is the potential that other colleges can be added.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** To approve the proposal

**Vote:** Approved unanimously (15 yeas)

**Action:** Inform the College of Nursing and the Department of Biomedical Informatics of the Graduate Council's decision to approve the proposal. The proposal will be forwarded to the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

**4. Presentation of the Graduate Council Review for the Molecular Biology Program**

Sally Planalp presented the review. The molecular biology program is a one-year entry-level program with no degree granting abilities. The program recruits for multiple departments. Many of the faculty involved have joint appointments.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** To accept as is.

**Vote:** Approved unanimously (15 yeas)

**Action:** The report will be sent to the Program Director and the Dean of the School of Medicine to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Health Sciences, Dean of the School of Medicine, Program Director of the Molecular Biology Program, and the Dean and Associate Dean of the Graduate School as facilitators). Following the wrap-up meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding will be prepared by the Associate Dean of the Graduate School. Both the report and the Memorandum of Understanding will be sent to the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

**5. Presentation of the Graduate Council Review for the Department of Family and Preventative Medicine**

Julie Fritz presented the Review to the Graduate Council. The Department of Family and Preventative Medicine is composed of three divisions and one program, including the Division of Public Health which is tuition-driven and the Physician Assistant Program.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** To accept the proposal as amended

**Vote:** Approved (15 yeas)

**Action:** The report will be sent to the Chair of the Division of Family and Preventative Medicine and the Dean of the School of Medicine to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Health Sciences, Dean of the School of Medicine, Chair of the Division of Family and Preventative Medicine, and the Dean and Associate Dean of the Graduate School as facilitators). Following the wrap-up meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding will be prepared by the Associate Dean of the Graduate School. Both the report and the Memorandum of Understanding will be sent to the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

**6. Presentation of the Graduate Council Review of the Department of Human Genetics**

Ann Marie Breznay made the presentation. The Molecular Biology Program recruits graduate students for the Department of Human Genetics. There has been a slight decline in the number of doctorates awarded, in part due to a slight decline in funding.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** To approve the proposal as amended

**Vote:** Approved (15 yeas)

**Action:** The report will be sent to the Chair of the Department of Human Genetics and the Dean of the School of Medicine to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Health Sciences, Dean of the School of Medicine, Chair of the Department of Human Genetics, and the Dean and Associate Dean of the Graduate School as facilitators). Following the wrap-up meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding will be prepared by the Associate Dean of the Graduate School. Both the report and the Memorandum of Understanding will be sent to the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

**7. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm**

