

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

CHAired BY: David S. Chapman **TIME:** 2:00 pm
DATE: May 26, 2009 **PLACE:** 300 Park Building

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Marie Breznay, Nicki Camp, Darrell Davis, Martha Eining, Paolo Gondolo, Chris Lippard, John McDonnell

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: David Chapman, Fred Rhodewalt

EXCUSED: Julie Fritz, Jay Mace, Pat Murphy, Sally Planalp, Kevin Rathunde, Mary Jane Taylor, Robert Young

FINAL AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the April 27, 2009 meeting were approved unanimously as distributed.

2. Proposal to create a National Center for Voice and Speech

Dr. Ingo R. Titze, Director, and Dr. Eric Hunter presented the proposal for this Center. The existing National Center is a consortium between the University of Iowa, the University of Wisconsin, the University of Utah, and the Denver Center of Performing Arts and is currently headquartered in Denver. By moving the Center to Salt Lake City, additional affiliations and collaborations would be possible because voice is a small part of many disciplines.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion: To approve the proposal

Vote: Approved unanimously

Action: Inform Dr. Titze of the Graduate Council's decision to approve the proposal. The proposal will be sent to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

3. Presentation of the Graduate Council Review for the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Nicki Camp presented the Review to the Graduate Council. The Department offers a number of different degrees on all levels. An emphasis is placed on diversity recruitment.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion: To accept the review as amended

Vote: Approved unanimously

Action: The amended report will be sent to the Department Chair and the Dean of the College of Engineering to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of the College of Engineering, 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 Academic Affairs for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

4. Presentation of the Graduate Council Review for the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy

Paolo Gondolo presented the Review to the Graduate Council. It is natural for ELP faculty to move into University administrative leadership positions. However, there are only one or two senior faculty members not in administrative jobs. Some courses are co-taught with other departments.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion: To accept the review as amended

Vote: Approved unanimously

Action: The amended review will be sent to the Department Chair and the Dean of the College of Education to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of the College of Education, 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 Academic Affairs for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

5. **Presentation of the Graduate Council Review for the Department of Linguistics**

Ann Marie Breznay presented the Review to the Graduate Council. There are disparate sub-disciplines within the Department which are in competition. The Department offers too many programs. A report should be prepared in three years so that their progress can be monitored.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion: To accept the review as amended

Vote: Approved

Action: The amended review will be sent to the Department Chair and the Dean of the College of Humanities to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of the College of Humanities, 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 Academic Affairs for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

6. **Presentation of the Graduate Council Review of the MSTAT Program**

Darrell Davis presented the review of this interdisciplinary program to the Graduate Council. There are six different disciplines involved with a rotating faculty member serving as the chair. A professional degree is offered.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion: To approve the review

Vote: Approved

Action: The report will be sent to the Chair of the MSTAT Program and the Dean of the Graduate School to check for any factual errors. The report will be discussed at the wrap-up meeting (in attendance: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Senior Vice President for Health Sciences, Chair of the MSTAT 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 Academic Affairs and the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences for transmittal to the Academic Senate.

7. Debt of gratitude to those members who are leaving the Council.

8. Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm