

Graduate Council
November 10, 2016
Minutes

Members Present

Sheila Adams	Irene Pintado
Joy Townsend	Monica Riley
Johnnie Sue Wijewardane	Scott Tollison
Brian Anderson	Dee Dee Larson for Marty Brock
David Carter	Kendall Dunkelberg
Peppy Bidy	Marty Hatton
Lynn Dobbs	

The Graduate Council met on November 10, 2016, in the Welty Boardroom. The minutes of the September meeting were approved by a unanimous vote.

College of Education & Human Sciences

- Proposal for Combined Master of Education Degree Program
 - Monica Riley

Education would like to combine the Educational Leadership, Gifted Studies and Reading Literacy programs into one new degree program, the Masters of Education (M.Ed.) with those three concentration areas with a common core set of courses. This will provide students with greater flexibility in program choice, increased access and opportunity to begin program study throughout the calendar year and increased modes of flexibility. This will also help our graduation and completion numbers by combining three degrees into one.

Sheila Adams made a motion Peppy Bidy seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Faculty Credentials

- Creative Writing – Terry Hummer

David Carter made a motion to accept and support the above credentials for graduate faculty. Sheila Adams seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

New Business

- Streamlining transcript process for MUW undergraduates who readmit to our graduate programs – Scott Tollison and Lynn Dobbs will look into this further.

Old Business

- Fire Engine-RED Update – Kendall noted that Fire Engine Red has been doing some last minute testing the last couple of weeks and plan to be ready to go live by mid-December. Dr. Richardson will update Dr. Borsig upon his return.
- International Backing Statement – Marty had nothing else to report at this time.
- Update to Graduate Studies websites. Please check your programs and make sure things are consistent.
- Johnnie Sue indicated that all programs should keep the same process until their applications processes are complete.
- Pre-Graduate Studies Classification by Program – Marty is still pursuing answers to this issue and answers to the following questions: Should a student be a non-degree seeking student until they are ready to be admitted in a program? What will that mean for financial aid for the student? If the student is admitted to any undergraduate program, what will that mean to the enrollment numbers since they wouldn't be getting a degree in that program, just taking classes as an undergraduate? What about split level classes?

Our next meeting will be December 8, 2016, at 3:30 p.m. Proposals will be due by noon November 30, 2016.