

Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

CHAired BY: Dave Kieda

TIME: 3:00pm

DATE: November 25, 2013

PLACE: 300 Park

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Ginny Pepper, Mary Jane Taylor, Sean Redmond, Winston Kyan, Connie Bullis, Susan Johnston, Robert Mayer, Tim Formosa, Glen Hanson, Nan Ellin

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Laura Kessler, Paul Mogren, Karen Wilcox, H. Y. Sohn,

FINAL AGENDA

1. **Minutes**

Vote: Approved Unanimously

Comments: None

2. **Centers Institutes and Bureau's Task Force**

Donna White is spearheading an effort to flush out CIB creation and reviews moving forward. There is a standing policy being circulated but revisions are in the works. Donna will bring updates to the counsel regularly.

3. **Visiting Scholar Policy**

Dave Kieda gave a status update of the revisions to the Visiting Scholar language. The committee discussed minor language changes.

Vote: Approved, unanimously

4. **College of Nursing Ph.D. and Gerontology MS Review**

Tim Formosa, Biochemistry

Tim Formosa presented the committee's report on the College of Nursing Ph.D. Tim summarized the report and read the commendations and recommendations. The council discussed many of the concerns of the review. No changes were suggested. Note: only reviewed the two programs out of College's 5.

Vote: Approved, unanimously

Comments: None

5. **School of Computing Certificate in Big Data**

Jeff Phillips, School of Computing

Comparable to other programs around country but is tailored to Utah's strengths. A similar program is run through the Business School but this would focus on more technical students. May see this as a feeder into a master's program.

Vote: Approved, unanimously

Abstained: None

5. Second Language Teaching and Research Center

Jane Hacking, Languages and Literature

Fernando Rubio, Language and Literature

Johanna Watzinger-Tharp, Languages and Literature

Preliminary approval was received in 2012. Have received or applied for many Government grants that will provide funding. Working with Military for credit non matriculated courses. Concerns were raised as to the Faculty having enough input on revisions to the Center. Center will submit annual reports to the Department and has formed an advisory board.

Vote: Table, more information needed.

Abstained: None

Comments: Need to receive evidence of faculty consultation and of how process was followed, especially as it pertains to curriculum offered.