

**Florida Atlantic University
University Graduate Council
Minutes
October 12, 2011**

Present: Deborah Floyd, Education; Ronald Nyhan, CDSI; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Charles Roberts, Science; Valerie Bryan, Education; Elwood Hamlin II, CDSI; Nancy Poulson, Arts & Letters; Allen Smith, Business; LaTasha Lee, GSA; David Newman, Nursing; Nancey France, Nursing; Juan Barreneche, GSA; Douglas Broadfield, Arts and Letters

Absent: Shirley Gordon, Nursing; Massimo Caputi, Biomedical Science; Kim Dunn, Business; Michael Cocuzza, GSA; Xupei Huang, Biomedical Science; William Rhodes, Engineering;

Others Present: Barry Rosson, Graduate College; Barbara Bebergal, Graduate College; Joann Arlington, Graduate College; Susan Fulks, Graduate College

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Nyhan.

I. Approval of Agenda for October 12, 2011 meeting.

The Agenda was approved unanimously by the council.

II. Approval of Minutes for September 7, 2011.

The minutes were approved with an amendment to delete the first sentence of VI b. and add Dec. 9 will be the deadline for decisions for admissions to a graduate program.

III. Consent Agenda for UGPC. Recommendation to UFS Steering

Consent Items and Action Items were accepted unanimously.

IV. New Business

a. Change to UGPC Guidelines Policies and Procedures (Ron Nyhan)

Nyhan wants council to review revised document and send comments to him at least a week prior to the next council meeting regarding the procedure to approve new courses, changes to courses, deletion of courses and new degree programs.

b. Graduate Certificates (Ron Nyhan)

Nyhan sent a two page list of certificates for graduate programs (attached).

If college wants it posted on the students transcript, then it must be with application for graduation under minor with correct code. The college must verify that the student has fulfilled the requirements for the certificate. There is no special form for this.

c. Limitation on Non-Degree Credit Hours (Nyhan – Rosson)

The Graduate College created different tracking reports to identify non-degree students. 1. Students who are actively enrolled, admitted, 2. Students enrolled and left school and 3. Students in non-degree status. Rosson would like to place a hold on non-degree students after a certain amount of credits taken, to prevent students from bringing in too many credits into a degree program . Rosson wants the colleges to discuss the remedies and determine what limits to place on the amount of non-degree credits.

d. Policy on Simultaneous Degree Seeking at Two Institutions (Nyhan/DeMik/McDaniel)

The regulation and UFS statement in the FAU catalog states that no student can be enrolled at FAU and another institution without permission from the FAU Program Director. This subject was brought to the UGC based on a student enrolled in two institutions and getting financial aid from both.

The council consensus was that it is a financial aid situation and not academic and therefore is not relevant to the council.

V. Old Business

a. Intellectual Property and On line courses

Outsourcing of courses should be determined by the UFS with a clear statement from the UFS on ownership of the course.

VI. Other Business

Zilouchian expressed his disapproval of the cost of the regalia for doctoral students. The price is \$850 to buy and \$350 to rent. The consensus of the council was that funds should be made available through different organizations to buy some regalia and make them available to needy students.

VII. Meeting was adjourned at 3:50.