

University Graduate and Professional Council
2007-2008
Minutes April 8, 2008

Members present: Marietta Bell-Scriber, Nancy Hogan, David Scott, Christine Conley-Sowels,
Jeff Hardesty

Previous Business:

Graduate Assistant policy to the President's Council

New Business:

When meeting with Dr. Oldfield about deferment, it was decided a meeting with GR and BR would be best. I spoke to Dan Burcham and the contact on the main campus is Kristy Heeter. Tracey Powers from GR is willing to meet. I will try to set this up with the VP's office, but it may be delayed until a new VP is selected. When the new VP is in office, I will make an appointment to discuss the list of priorities we have developed to see where the support lies. Some of the Council's priorities are listed below. 1) a structure for which the graduate programs operate. We need someone from the VP's office to actively participate in graduate program matters (funding for scholarships, graduate assistants, etc.). 2) Marketing of graduate programs is critical, including brochures describing all the programs. 3) provided UGPC a budget _to at least hire graduate assistant 4) The UGPC would like to take a more active role in helping to develop more graduate programs. Jeff will speak to his colleagues about the direction of a technology grad program. 5)Graduate/professional level oriented activities/classes to enhance the graduate experience (development of a website—discussion about getting a graduate assistant to do this if funds are provided; classes used by all programs such as intensive writing courses or thesis preparation course). 6) Housing issues still need to be resolved. 7) Development of university graduate student handbook and policy handbook.

I look forward to a productive year in 2008-2009.

Meeting adjourned: 12:02 pm

Respectfully submitted,
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