

**Florida Atlantic University
University Graduate Council
Minutes
March 21, 2012**

Present: Deborah Floyd, Education; Ronald Nyhan, CDSI; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Charles Roberts, Science; Elwood Hamlin II, CDSI; Nancy Poulson, Arts & Letters; William Rhodes, Engineering; David Newman, Nursing; Allen Smith, Business; Stewart Glegg, Engineering

Absent: Deborah Floyd, Education; Massimo Caputi, Biomedical Science; Kim Dunn, Business; Xupei Huang, Biomedical Science; Valerie Bryan, Education; LaTasha Lee, GSA;

Others Present: Barry Rosson, Graduate College; Barbara Bebergal, Graduate College;

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

I. Approval of Agenda for March 21, 2012 meeting.

The agenda was approved unanimously by the council.

II. Approval of Minutes from February 8, 2012 meeting.

The minutes were unanimously approved by the council.

III. Consent Agenda for UGPC recommendations to USF Steering.

It was unanimously approved by the council.

IV. Old Business

a. Admission Requirements for Graduate Programs

Charlene is still completing the list of requirements by different colleges.

V. New Business

a. Courses will go to steering April 10 at 2:30. April 20 is the last Senate meeting at 2.

b. Faculty from FAU would like to participate in workshops. Arts & Letters, Education and Engineering faculty would like to receive stipends for conducting the workshops. Nyhan believes that graduate faculty can participate more to train and do workshops. Rosson said that the RCR is also important and the UGC can help with that. There has been wonderful success with the RCR. The council will revisit in the fall regarding the schedule for the RCR workshops.

- c. Discussion took place about GC events being put on the UGC agenda.
- d. Floyd suggested UTUBE or Virtual workshops. Smith volunteered to represent graduate studies for elearning.
- e. BS-MS Bio Eng. has a discrepancy. Rosson is willing to support it. Newman motions to pass. Poulson seconds. It will have to go as a package to steering. The council approves this unanimously. Zilouchian will provide the electronic form. The GPC/UGC will have a joint meeting in August.

VI. Other Business

Tuition benefits – Poulson asked for a draft of revision from Rosson. Arts and Letters met. Certificate programs will not benefit from tuition waivers. .25 FTE will get at least half a tuition waiver. This will be phased in. The plan of study will be used. Tuition will be paid for assistantships. This will come as a Provost Memorandum.

- Check if F1 students can work on campus during summer without being enrolled. Probably.
- Tell Dr. Shepherd that courses do not have to be in the same order as transcripts.
- Electronic plans of study ready for fall 2012. Petitions process to follow soon.

Floyd discusses budget cuts. Nyhan – announced that the UGC needs a new leader for fall 2012.

VII. Meeting Adjourned 4:12