

**Florida Atlantic University
University Graduate Council (UGC)
Minutes
February 27, 2013**

Present: Elwood Hamlin II, CDSI; Nancy Poulson, Arts & Letters; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Deborah L. Floyd, Education; Stewart Glegg, Engineering

Others Present: Barry Rosson, Graduate College; Barbara Bebergal, Division of Research; Susan Fulks, Graduate College; Paul Peluso, Education; Janelle Petak, Graduate College; Stuart Galup, Business; Stephanie Call, Masters Student; Taylor Fawbush, Masters Student; Katie Burke, Doctoral Student

Absent: Colin Hughes, Science; William Rhodes, Engineering; Ramon Garcia-Areas, GSA; David Newman, Nursing; Ron Nyhan, CDSI; Mahyar Nourishirazi, Medicine; Charles Roberts, Science; Gail Burnaford, Education; Allen Smith, Business; Ron Nyhan, CDSI; LaTasha Lee, GSA; Chris Beetle, Science

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Dr. Deborah Floyd.

I. Call to Order and Sign In.
Chair Deborah Floyd, Council Members and Guests

II. Review and Approve Agenda (distributed in advance).

The agenda was unanimously approved by the council.

III. Approval of Minutes

Action: *Minutes were unanimously approved by the Council pending correction made by Dr. Rosson to eliminate sentence (in the hole by one million dollars).*

IV. Report and Recommendations from the UGPC

The University Graduate Programs Committee presented the following action and consent recommendations to the Council for their review and action.

Action Agenda

Proposal	Proposal for Creation of Accelerated BBA in MIS/MSITM Degree Program	Business	N/A	N/A
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SOW 6105	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6106	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6125	Psychopathology	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6235	Social Welfare History and Policy	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6305	Generalist Practice with Individuals	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6306	Generalist Practice with Organizations & Communities	CDSI	N/A	Change
SOW 6324	Generalist Practice with Families & Groups	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6404	Social Work Research	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6532	Foundation Field Instruction & Seminar I	CDSI	3	Change
SOW 6533	Foundation Field Instruction & Seminar II	CDSI	3	Change
NGR 6342	Women's Health: Nursing Situations in Advanced Practice	Nursing	3	New
NGR 6301	Care of Children: Nursing Situations in Advance Practice	Nursing	3	New
Program Change	DNP Curriculum Plan of Study Change	Nursing	N/A	Change
Program Change	BSN-DNP Curriculum Change	Nursing	N/A	Change
Termination	Individualized Track in Master of Science with Major in Nursing	Nursing	N/A	Change
NGR 6298L	Advanced Holistic Nursing: Development of Holistic Nursing in Professional Setting-Termination	Nursing	N/A	Change
NGR 6167	Foundations of Holistic Nursing-Termination	Nursing	N/A	Change
NGR 6634	Advanced Nursing Situations: Care of the Childbearing/Childrearing Family-Termination	Nursing	N/A	Change
NGR 6634L	Advanced Nursing Situations in Practice: Care of Childbearing/Childrearing Family	Nursing	N/A	Change
NGR 6295L	Experiential Survey of Holistic Modalities-Termination	Nursing	N/A	Change
Program Change	Advanced Holistic Nursing Track in the Master of Science with Major in Nursing	Nursing	N/A	Change

RAT 6701	Shielding and Commissioning	Science	3	New
Program Change	Combined Bachelor of Arts with Masters of Arts in Geography Geography	Science	N/A	Change
PHZ 6245	Medical Imaging Physics	Science	3	Change
PHZ 5304	Introduction to Nuclear Physics	Science	3	Change
HSA 6106	Global Issues in Health Care Delivery	Business	3	New
HSA 6127	Managed Health Care	Business	3	New
MAN 6296	Leadership and Organizations	Business	3	New
COM 6296	Communication Theory	A & L	3	New

A. All consent agenda items were approved by the Council without objection and will now move to the Steering Committee and on to the University Faculty Senate. The action agenda was held up pending a review by the College of Engineering and their approval with memo.

V. Graduate Tuition Benefits Proposed Policy Change

The proposed new Graduate Tuition Benefits Policy was discussed. Dr. Rosson stated that the policy change has moved further down the road. Final items to be defined by the working group are the definition of RAs, GTAs and GAs.

An agreement on the budget is close. Non-Academic GAs will not be paid by the tuition waiver budget. At this time 44 GAs fit into this category. Some RAs in residence halls will not be paid out of the waiver budget, per Dr. Rosson. The major effort of the Graduate College was to create Banner codes and index numbers in order to post these classifications. The vision of research benefits is that the out of state portion of tuition would be paid by the Graduate College and the in state portion paid by the individual colleges. A website of FAQ will be set up. Dr. Rosson will meet with Dept. Chairs and Program Directors of all colleges. Graduate students are welcome.

Dr. Floyd expressed concern about benefits for non-academic GA's. Dr. Rosson agreed that a town hall meeting and a roll out with information will be forthcoming.

VI. SPOTS – Electronic for On-Line and Live classes-discussion

Dr. McDaniel referred the issue of online SPOT assessments to the Senate Assessment Committee. The Committee will be making a recommendation to the Senate soon. Dr. Floyd asked if the UGC should make recommendations. Several members offered suggestions and discussed concerns. Dr. Zilouchian suggested a student survey to determine which method is the best for student evaluations. Dr. Poulson said more information is needed on making this a 100% completion method by students. She asked about the parameters. Dr. Peluso suggested researching this with other schools that have tried online assessments. Dr. Floyd agreed to express UGC opinions and concerns to the Committee and to Steering when this matter is presented.

VII. Updates: Catalog Revision Process and Electronic Plans of Study

The meeting went well. The process is working. Changes are made in Fall and Spring.

Janelle Petak and Susan Fulks presented updates on the Electronic Plan of Study and Reference Letters. Four colleges are trained on the POS. It was suggested that training for Arts and Letters take place during the meeting scheduled with Dr. Rosson. Susan Fulks presented some of the screens used for the online Reference Letters. OIT is working on it. There will be the same roll out for training as used for the POS.

VIII. Other

Dr. Rosson spoke about Graduate Faculty Appointments. There was an external member elected to Grad Faculty in Biology with expertise in Psychology, with an overlap of 2 years. The new app could extend the time of the appointment. The College of Education has an A,B,C levels within the Graduate Faculty levels. Dr. Floyd pointed out that College Graduate Governance documents outlining processes for approval were all approved within a year of adopting the University Graduate Governance Document and that, to the best of her knowledge, the COE has been following the governance documents as approved. If there are issues with appointments the matter should be placed on a regular meeting agenda.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:50.