GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 4, 2021

PRESENT: Corey Davis, SangHee Park, Praveen Parboteeah, Donna Vosburgh, Alana Platt, Arjan Premti, Max Hsu, Abbie Daly, John Smith, Joanna Stradusky, Lynn Gilbertson, Karla Saeger, Courtney Luedke, Lucy Heimer, Denise Roseland, Kris Curran, Lopamudra Mukherjee, Christine Neddenriep, Sarah Hessenauer, Olivia Russo, Jennifer Betters-Bubon, Joan Cook

ABSENT: Beth King, Shannon Monson, Russ Kashian, *Jiazhen Zhou (Sabbatical), Courtney DeVries, *Xueqing Chen (Sabbatical), Liv Russo, *Shannon Stuart

GUESTS: Abbie Windsor, Carol Elsen, Matt Vick, Heather Chermak, Paul Ambrose, Tamela Rocke

PRESIDER: Joan Littlefield Cook

*Previously notified.

The March 4, 2021 meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by Interim Associate Provost, Joan Littlefield Cook.

I. Approval of Minutes: Donna Vosburgh made a motion to approve the February 4, 2021 minutes, Sarah Hessenauer seconded. Motion passed with one abstention.

II. Information Only Items

A. SOCWORK 696D: SUICIDE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND POSTVENTION

Sarah Hessenauer moved to acknowledge receipt of the SOCWORK 696D workshop. Lynn Gilbertson seconded. There was discussion about the course not being available until fall and the summer workshop being created to meet summer enrollment needs. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Discussion

A. Graduate School/Continuing Education Strategic Plan

The previous strategic plan was through 2020 and looking to update the plan to note the many changes in GSCE. Would like feedback from Graduate Council. There was discussion about reviewing the strategic plan annually to review each year’s accomplishments and set goal for each upcoming year.
B. Spring 2021 Commencement

Graduation details are still being worked out. If programs are interested in hosting their own graduation, they need to follow group policies listed online and get approvals for groups over 25 (including staff). Joan will look into any food policies and policies for anyone refusing to wear masks during the event. There was some discussion and concern over the safety of having a face-to-face graduation.

IV. Business Items

A. College of Arts and Communication

Lynn Gilbertson moved to approve items A1-A5. Courtney Luedke seconded and the motion carried.

1. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: HLTHADVCRRT : HEALTH ADVOCACY CERTIFICATE

2. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: STRCOMCERT : STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION CERTIFICATE

3. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: ORGCOMMCRT : ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION CERTIFICATE


5. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: ACMSCOMM : COMMUNICATION (MS)

B. College of Business and Economics

Abby Daly moved to approve items B1-B2. Donna Vosburgh seconded and the motion carried.

1. Curricular Action: Course Change Request: FNBSLW 736 : INVESTMENT BANKING

2. Curricular Action: Pre-req Change Request: FNBSLW 740 : FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES

Corey Davis moved to approve items B3-B4. Alana Platt seconded and the motion carried.

3. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (MS) – COURSEWORK AND RESEARCH OPTION
4. Curricular Action: Program Change Request: **ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (MS) – COURSEWORK OPTION**

C. **College of Education and Professional Studies**
Denise Roseland moved to approve item C1. Corey Davis seconded and the motion carried.


D. **Other Business**

1. Recommend amendment to UCC in regards to Curriculum Handbook policy on certificates:

   “A graduate certificate program must require a student to complete no less than 9 graduate credits and require no more than 18 graduate credits. Certificates leading to licensure may exceed 18 graduate credits.”

   Lynn Gilbertson moved to approve item D1, recommending the amendment for the Curriculum Handbook to the UCC. John Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Graduate Teaching Award Selection Committee

   Corey Davis made a motion to approve Matt emailing the council members from each college to nominate a member for the Graduate Teaching Award Selection Committee. Donna Vosburgh seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Broken links in the Graduate Course Catalog

   Lynn Gilbertson notified the committee to check for broken links from the program websites to the course catalog. Abbie Windsor asked that faculty work with their individual website administrator for broken links to the catalog, and to let Abbie know about broken links within the course catalog.

   Lynn Gilbertson made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Donna Vosburgh. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 3:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Peterson
Secretary