

**Graduate Affairs Committee  
Minutes  
May 26, 2009**

**Present:** Margaret Adamek, George Edwards, David Ford, Dominique Galli, Stephen Hundley, Marilyn Irwin, Michael Kowolik, Paul Lang, Joyce Mac Kinnon, Craig McDaniel, Jim Murphy, Mathew Palakal, Jackie O'Palka, Dan Pesut, Sherry Queener, Simon Rhodes, Lisa Riolo, Sherry Sims, Jon Story & Marianne Wokeck

**Staff:** David Koerner, Sue Wheeler & Beth Young

**Guests:** Gabrielle Bovenzi, Erin Glueckert, Terry Baumer, Eric Wright, Alan Snell, & Mahesh Merchant

**Approval of Minutes – Dr. Sherry Queener**

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**Fellowship Award Forms Discussion - Gabrielle Bovenzi & Erin Glueckert**

The big change would be that fellowships would be disbursed as a lump sum at the beginning of each term rather than a monthly payment. Dawn Rhodes, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, asked for this change to assist with their resource management and to make it a little more efficient.

It was also noted that a fellowship is when a graduate student is doing work for their own benefit. If they are doing work for the university, they should be receiving a paycheck through the payroll system.

David noted that departments need to send in their fee remissions for Fall as soon as possible.

Erin announced that the departmental contacts who have submitted fellowship awards previously have been contacted about these updates; information is included on the Office of Student Scholarships website: <http://www.iupui.edu/~scentral/>.

Dr. Queener noted that this information will be on the GAC website as well.

**Purdue Dean's Report – Dr. Jon Story**

Dr. Story noted that Purdue held four commencements that included about 100 PhDs and numerous Masters students.

The Purdue Graduate School is looking into reorganizing the office rather than having everyone report to the Graduate School Dean. They are trying to standardize the West Lafayette campus with other regional campuses. One associate dean per campus will report to the Senior Associate Deans, Drs. Story & Pope, at the West Lafayette campus.

Dr. Story is also managing the SROP program this summer at Purdue-West Lafayette. They are expecting 36 students to arrive on Sunday to participate in this program.

**Associate Dean's Report – Dr. Sherry Queener**

Dr. Queener has continued conversations with Dean Daleke in regards to the Graduate Council and it looks like elections will not happen until midsummer or the Fall. With that in mind, the GAC will continue just as we are and over time we may draw on this membership to be a part of that council.

**Graduate Office Report – Mr. David Koerner**

David is currently putting together an informational piece on student health insurance options for next year. The piece will talk about the medical student plan, post-doc plan, student academic appointee plan, international student plan, and the voluntary student plan, which will include the cost and the contacts.

### **GSO Report – David Koerner**

GSO held their elections last month and Jodie Atkinson from the School of Liberal Arts is the President for next year. A student from Dentistry is the Vice-President and a student from Physical Education was elected Secretary.

### **Committee Business**

#### ***Curriculum Subcommittee – Dr. Jackie O’Palka***

The last meeting of this academic year will be held on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### ***Fellowship Subcommittee – Mr. David Koerner***

Everything has been committed.

### **Program Review – Dr. Sherry Queener**

- Graduate Certificate in Clinical Informatics – *Approved with Revisions*
  - Revise Assessment section
- Doctorate in Nursing Practice – *Approved*
- MS in Criminal Justice & Public Safety – *Approved*
- Graduate Certificate in Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness – *Tabled for revisions*
  - Revise Assessment section
  - Expand list of electives
  - Minor revisions in program restrictions needed.

### **Discussion**

### **Old Business**

### **Next Meeting**

August 25, 2009

**Meeting Adjourned 2:53pm**