

Graduate Affairs Committee
April 23rd, 2002
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes for March 26, 2002 Queener
2. Vice Chancellor's Report.....Brenner
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 - Retirement announcement of George Walker
4. Graduate Office Report..... Andrew-Mohr
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Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies -Report of vote and current status
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Graduate School Certificates- Update
10. New Business.....
11. Next Meeting (May 28th) and adjournment

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Minutes

Present: Margaret Adamek, Hasan Akay, William Bosron, Mark Brenner (co-chair), Daniel Callison, Jon Eller, Sharon Farley, Karen Johnson, Joyce Mac Kinnon, Chris Miller, Jackie O'Palka, Jeff Ou (replacement for Marvin Kemple), Nassar Paydar, Douglas Perry, Sherry Queener (co-chair), William Schneider, Sarah Wagner, Polly Wolfe

Staff: Joelle Andrew-Mohr and Monica Ridge

Approval of the minutes - Dr. Queener

The committee approved the minutes from the March 26th, 2002 meeting.

Due to the lack of a quorum at the March meeting, the Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies proposal was sent out for an e-mail vote. Out of 31 voting members the proposal received 21 votes to approve, and 0 votes to approve with revisions or send back for revisions. The proposal has been sent to Bloomington as per the routing process.

Associate Dean's Report - Dr. Queener

Dr. Queener reported that George Walker, Vice President for Research and Dean of the University Graduate School, is retiring.

A committee has been established to look at the framework and organization of the Indiana University Graduate School. Dr. Bosron and Dr. Schneider are members of this committee and can report back to the GAC. One of the main issues that will be looked at is whether or not the Graduate School and Research should be separated. Dr. Queener asked the GAC to solicit opinions from their schools as to what the pros and cons of this issue may be.

Graduate Office Report - Joelle Andrew-Mohr

PeopleSoft will not be available for data entry May 20th through May 22nd. Migration from version 7.6 to 8.0 will be taking place during this time. There will be a registration function in IUIS to process emergency new admits. Joelle asked that all schools and departments send their admits to the Graduate Office by May 10th to allow enough time to enter them into PeopleSoft before the activity freeze.

Health insurance premiums have increased by \$100 to \$752 annually for the next academic year. For those supporting graduate students on grants or general fund accounts, Charlie Miller will deduct this amount from school accounts. The majority of this premium will be deducted during the Spring semester since it includes summer premiums.

John Bivens is conducting IUIE and Advanced Web Center training sessions through the beginning of July. After July, there will be a three to four month period before the next series of training sessions. Staff and faculty may register for classes and find additional information at the following URL: <http://www.cs.iupui.edu/~jbivens/webcenter>.

The 2002 Hooding Ceremony for Indiana University Graduate School and Purdue University Graduate School graduates will take place on Sunday, May 12th at 10:00 a.m. at the Westin Hotel. RSVP's are due Friday, April 26th. The only difference from last year is that the deans will lead the processional this year. Students may pick up luncheon tickets on May 6th; mentor tickets will be mailed directly to them through campus mail.

Dr. Queener noted that the Chancellor's Convocation will take place on Friday, April 26th. A masters student and a Ph.D. student from the Graduate School will be recognized at the convocation.

Vice Chancellor's Report - Dr. Brenner

The Midwest Association of Graduate Schools recognizes outstanding masters theses. This year, Dr. Queener sent a notice to advisors regarding this recognition. Two nominees from IUPUI were submitted: one from Engineering and Technology and the other from History. A systematic approach to submitting masters thesis to the Midwest Association of Graduate Schools for recognition is needed.

Dr. Brenner noted that the September 11th events have affected and will continue to affect research. In the future, there will be a shift in agency funding priorities towards homeland security, specifically towards bioterrorism research. Also, there is the issue of international students participating in certain research activities. The Patriot Act has defined certain restrictions with regards to this. There is also pressure with regards to confidentiality. This will affect Computer Science and some areas of Engineering. Universities will also experience restrictions on publishing. Legislation regarding such issues as international students, publishing, and distance learning is coming down the pike.

Dr. Queener noted that she attended the 2nd Annual Post-Doctoral Meeting in Washington D.C. Other peer schools have active post-doctoral offices and appear to be moving forward on streamlining the appointment process. Some schools have a human resource component and prestigious awards for post-doctoral students. Most of the established offices are headed by an active scientist on a part-time bases (10 to 30 percent) and require \$250,000 annually to operate. Schools have acquired the annual budget by taxing the departments, factoring it into the base budget, and taxing the mentors who hire the post-docs. Dr. Bosron will chair a committee that will look at the possibility of IUPUI establishing an office and providing services to post-doctoral students. There is a possibility that an annual budget for services could be factored in as a fridge benefit cost to the post-docs. Dr. Queener noted that schools represented at the D.C. meeting have established a 4 to 5 year time limit for post-doctoral appointments.

Dr. Brenner noted that the Faculty Assembly is looking at a priority list and identifying funding opportunities. The Royalty Income Fund is a potential funding opportunity for graduate student fellowships. Money coming into this fund is distributed to the inventor, the campus, and the school. Dr. Brenner has suggested to Chancellor Bepko that a percentage be carved out of the campus portion of the fund for graduate university fellowships. Dr. Brenner was advised to draft a proposal.

Graduate Student Organization (GSO) Report - Sarah Wagner

At the last GSO meeting, \$12,000 in Education Enhancement Grants were awarded, and the officers for the 2002-2003 academic year were announced. Tonya Roberts, from the School of Medicine, will be the president and Julia Jackson, from the School of Education and School of Law, will be the vice president.

Subcommittee Business

Fellowship Subcommittee - Joelle Andrew-Mohr

The Fellowship Committee has over committed University Fellowships by two students. This should even out since typically some students are unable to come or end up dropping out. If there are a number of students who notify us they will not be attending IUPUI in the Fall, a second round of fellowship applications will be reviewed.

Dr. Brenner noted that with the tuition increase, the Fellowship Fund has increased 9% for the next academic year. The Research Investment Fund (RIF), which contributes to the Fellowship Fund, will not increase the amount contributed for the upcoming academic year. Dr. Bosron noted that the GAC should request additional funding from RIF for the University Fellowship Fund. A letter from the GAC will be sent to request additional RIF funding for the University Fellowship Fund. Dr. Queener noted that the University Fellowships should be increase to be more competitive with other universities.

Program Review

The Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies is under review in Bloomington. A proposal for a Ph.D. minor in Bioinformatics will be presented to the GAC at the May meeting. Dr. Schneider noted that a M.A. in Philosophy from the School of Liberal Arts will be sent to the GAC for review in the near future.

Discussion

Graduate School Certificates - Dr. Queener

At the last Bloomington Curriculum Subcommittee meeting, the Graduate School certificate guidelines were not discussed due to time constraints. The goal is to establish guidelines for an Indiana University Graduate School Certificate, a School / Accreditation Certificate, and a certificate that would fall between the two.

NCA Data Request - Update

The NCA survey deadline is Friday, April 26th. The following departments have outstanding surveys: the basic medical sciences; Computer and Information Science; Geology; Mathematical Science; Psychology; Adult Education; School of Education; School of Music.

New Business

The Chancellors Reception for currently enrolled graduate students will take place on May 8th from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Chancellor's home. Invitations have been sent to the schools.

Next meeting date

May 28th, 2002.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.