Graduate Affairs Committee Minutes September 27, 2011

Present: Margaret Adamek, Davide Bolchini, Oliver Chen, Fred DiCamilla, Dan Drew, Dominique Galli, Phil Goff, Robert Helfenbein, Brittney-Shea Herbert, Michael Kowolik, Craig McDaniel, Alan Mikesky, Ann O'Bryan, Jackie O'Palka, David Peters, Sherry Queener (Chair), Sonja Rice, Akeem Sadiq, John Schild, Sharon Sims, Jon Story, Toby Swick, & Johnathan Tune

Staff: David Koerner, NaShara Mitchell, Sue Wheeler & Beth Young

Guests: Robert Vernon, Philip Ouellette, Jan Aycock, Carrie Hansel

Approval of Minutes – Dr. Sherry Queener

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Purdue Dean's Report - Dr. Jon Story

Purdue University – West Lafayette is searching for a new President since President Cordova's term ends next summer.

Dean Story shared that four hundred students attended the Purdue Big 10+ that was held on September 26th, 2011.

The West Lafayette campus is working on 15-20 Professional Masters and they are for disciplines throughout campus, just not science disciplines.

Dean Story also noted that an Interdisciplinary PhD is now being discussed in the Purdue Graduate School. He is interested to hear from those that have experience or knowledge about this kind of program.

Associate Dean's Report - Dr. Sherry Queener

The Graduate Office has moved to the University Library in Room 1170. In the next month or so, there will be an Open House.

Since this is the first meeting of the academic year, Dr. Queener asked everyone to introduce themselves around the room.

Dr. Queener also added that there is now a master list for Ph.D. programs.

Assistant Dean's Report - Ms. NaShara Mitchell

October 9-12: Getting you into IUPUI 119 applications & 12 approved.

REEP – Responsible Conduct of Research Seminar Research Misconduct – October 19th

PFF – Increase awareness – Fall Symposium 11.11.11 University Conference Center Features Prof. Hook Keynote: Terrell Strayhorn

PFF Orientation was last week - September 21st

Graduate Office Report - Mr. David Koerner

The new GRE test is officially out. The students that take it in August & September will have their scores released starting on November 1st.

Graduate Expo 2011 - Ms. Sue Wheeler & Ms. Beth Young

- o 200 students showed up to the Graduate Expo
- We have received feedback from the recruiters at this time. It has been primarily
 positive and included suggestions of shortening the event to 10am to 2pm; more
 signage for the event on the main level of the Campus Center; and more overall
 advertisement on campus.
- STEM Open House this event will now be separate from the Graduate Expo in the future.
 - Students enjoyed the poster session & interacting with the faculty.
- Student Success Series
 - Upcoming sessions for this series include Library 101, Plagiarism,
 Values in Action & Purpose and Passion. More information about each of these sessions may be found at www.iupui.edu/~gradoff/events.html
- Dr. Queener shared the idea that the Graduate Recruitment Council (GRC) becomes a standing sub-committee of the GAC since recruitment has evolved into a more central activity on the Graduate side. If anyone has any thoughts or concerns about this, please let her know.
- Toby Swick added his appreciation to the IUPUI Graduate Office for the efforts in creating these new events to assist graduate programs across campus in recruiting quality students.

GPSG Report - Sarah Nathan

The Graduate & Professional Student Government (GPSG) has held two meetings so far this Fall, which both have been introductory in nature. There are three schools that do not have representation at this time, which include Nursing, Journalism, & Education.

Tonight is the third GPSG meeting and advocacy goals is a main topic on the agenda.

Committee Business

Curriculum Subcommittee - Dr. Jackie O'Palka

The last meeting was on September 8th, The committee approved 4 course changes & 8 new courses. The next meeting will be in November before Thanksgiving.

Fellowship Subcommittee - Mr. David Koerner

David will be sending meeting invitations soon so the group can come together and talk about bigger issues before getting into the application reviews.

Program Review - Dr. Sherry Queener

- MSW Direct Proposal Approved Pending Revisions
- Nursing Program Track Name Changes *Approved*
- MS in Translational Science: Track 2 for the Basic Scientist and Engineer Review with revisions & table vote until next meeting

Discussion

- NCA 2012: SLOs and evaluating them
 - All programs have been asked to have their student assessment posted on the website.
 - Dr. Queener will circulate a form that originated from Purdue in regards to student learning outcomes.
- International Student Admissions
 - International admissions will be flexible when a potential international nonimmigrant applicant is already in-country at another US institution, but really there should be no reason why all our internationals cannot abide by these deadlines.

		App Deadline	Decision Deadline
•	Fall Semester	March 1	June 15th
•	Spring Semester	October 1	December 1
•	Summer	Jan 15	March 1

- AES Disability Awareness Month
 - Dr. Queener shared that there are many upcoming events this month in regards to Disability Awareness Month sponsored by AES.

Old Business

Next Meeting
October 25, 2011 in CE 405
2:45pm ended