



Graduate Council
Minutes — Thursday, February 13, 2020, 3:00 p.m.
Academic Affairs Conference Room, WAB 227

Members Present: Kenneth Payne, Ray Blankenship, Casey McKinney, Sarah E. Ochs, Aaron Hughey, Dominic Lanphier, Diane Marie Lickenbrock, Carl Dick, Katie M. Wheeler, Ann Ferrell, Marko Dumancic, Richard Dressler, Adam West, Scott Arnett, Cheryl Davis

Members Absent: Alex Lebedinsky, Helen Liang, Martha Day, Jessica Johnson, Cheryl Hopson, Mary Madison Lyons, Haley B. Wheeler, Emily Anne Pride

Guests: Merrall Price, Cathleen Webb, Danita Kelley, Rheanna Plemons, Jennifer Hammonds, Colette Chelf, Marilyn Gardner, Xiuhua Ding, Scott Gordon, Laura Burchfield

1. Call to Order *Ferrell
2. Consideration of January 16, 2020 minutes (Appendix A, including Dean's report) *Dick/Lickenbrock; approved
3. Graduate Enrollment Report (Scott Gordon; Appendix B) *Gordon reported on the current graduate enrollment data. *Discussion ensued regarding trends in enrollment.
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Graduate Council Executive Committee *The Associate Provost for Research and Graduate Education search is continuing. There should be updates on potential interviews in the coming weeks.
 - b. Policy Committee: No report
 - c. Research Committee: No report
 - d. Curriculum Committee: Martha Day (Appendix C) *Dressler makes a motion to approve the Curriculum Committee's report. *Blankenship makes a motion to pull BDAN 515, BDAN 517, BDAN 519, and CYSA 520 for discussion. He makes a friendly amendment to change the pre-requisites for the BDAN courses and update learning objective number two for CYSA 520 – approved. Vote to approve the curriculum report as amended – approved.
5. Report from Dean of the Graduate School *John D. Minton nominations are being accepted through March 20th. *The 50th Annual WKU Student Research Conference is being held March 28th. Gordon is chairing the Student Research Council this year. *The research and travel grant deadline is February 19th. *The Distinguished Minority Fellowship is accepting applications again this year. *Chelf is going to be

reaching out to department heads to define unknown program elective courses. *The CourseLeaf CIM implementation for UCC is ongoing. *WKU Public Radio is airing promotional announcements about the Graduate School.

6. Public Comments

*Discussion ensued regarding the admission application and admission materials.

*There was further discussion regarding marketing graduate programs.

7. Announcements & Adjourn *Dumancic/Blankenship; adjourn