



Minutes—March 17th, 2016
Special Meeting Time-2:00 pm
Academic Affairs Conference RM 239

Members Present: Marge Maxwell, Carl Myers, Amy Cappiccie, Eve Main, Kirk Atkinson, Carl Dick, Chris Groves, Lance Hahn, Beth Plummer, Shannon Vaughan, Laura Brigman, John Hay, Eric Reed

Members Absent: Kristin Wilson, Leyla Zhuhadar, Steve Wells, Angie Jerome, Molly Kerby, Ron Mitchell, Andrew Rosa

Guests Present: Colette Chelf, Julie Harris, Laura Upchurch, Scott Gordon, Danita Kelley, Merrall Price, Janet Applin, Cathleen Webb, Andrew McMichael, Tiffany Robinson, Melissa Davis, Rick Grieve, Sylvia Gaiko

I. Call to Order: 2:00 p.m.; presided by Kurt Neelly, chair

II. Consideration of February 11th, 2016 minutes:
*Atkinson/Cappiccie, motion to approve; passed

Graduate Faculty Report: *Plummer/Groves, motion to approve; passed

III. Committee Reports

a. Curriculum Committee - Report Included

*Hahn, motion to approve report (consent item); passed

*Myers/Plummer, motion approve program revision, 0476 Doctor of Psychology in Applied Psychology (action)

*Grieve indicated that there were three changes made to the proposal: revised Statists/Research Methods courses to list courses the students are actually enrolled in versus the course they might enroll in, consolidation of several categories of courses offered to students because concerns were raised that if too many courses were offered then all students may not be receiving a similar educational experience, revised/corrected course titles and numbers that are in the developmental stages listed under Specialization in School Psychology; *Hahn asked if the Curriculum Committee did not pass the revision and what happened, *Maxwell indicated that the revision was tabled; *Atkinson stated that it was definitely tabled to become an action item; *Hahn questioned why it was an action item; *Maxwell stated because the psychology department requested it be brought before the Council in order to make the deadline for program revisions for fall 2016; *Applin stated that several revisions were suggested and the Curriculum Committee decided to allow the proponent to amend and bring to Graduate Council for review as an action item; *Hahn questioned what revisions were requested so Graduate Council could review; *Grieve indicated PSYS courses were removed as per request of Psychological Science department head; *Hahn refuted; *Chelf clarified that all requested revisions were not made; *Applin disagreed; *Neelly indicated that the

Curriculum Committee was aware of changes being made and because they were more editorial in nature the committee felt it should be heard as an action item; *Doctor of Psychology in Applied Psychology program revision proposal approved

b. Student Research Grants Committee - No report included

*Hahn indicated that the Grants Committee was allotted an additional \$10,000 to award students by June 30th, 2016; *Dick questioned if students that have submitted proposals in the past that received partial funding would be able to reapply for the remainder of the funding; *Hahn answered yes; *Hahn further stated that if the council agrees, that the Research Committee will contact the applicants from February that didn't receive full funding and inform them that more funds have been made available if their project is still ongoing; *Reed added that this money can't be used for reimbursements, only awarded to students who have a research project or ongoing project, *Reed indicated extra funding came from Graduate School being reimbursed for costs pertaining to the India Pilot Project; *Hahn stated that the deadline for new applications and reapplications by April 1st, 2016; once funding has been awarded to those applicants and funds remain a May 1st, 2016 deadline will be set for new applicants to receive the remaining funds; *Reed indicated that by having more applicants than there is funding for it would show cause as to why a permanent funding line should be in place for research.

c. Policy Committee - Report included

i. Transfer Credit (s) Policy

*Dick (for Kristin Wilson) indicated the Policy Committee met and the revisions are basically just simplifying the terminology; *Chelf stated that revisions were to define transfer work as work taken outside of WKU; allows a particular program to determine if they want to accept prior coursework earned at WKU be used on the Program of Study and fulfil a degree; Chelf clarified that the other revision was made to remove policies 1, 2 and 3 because they are listed in other policies.

Move to approve Hahn/Maxwell

*Friendly amendment to revise 1st sentence under paragraph listed as Program of Study to say "All graduate degree and certificate seeking students must submit a planned program of study to the Graduate School for final approval" and delete "Final approval rests with the Graduate School". *Gaiko suggested that a department have a process to accept credits from non-regionally accredited institution; Transfer Credit Policy approved

ii. Graduate Council Elections

*Neelly said the policy states that each college can have their own process to elect their representatives; no colleges wish to use that process; executive members will speak with the colleges and then communicate with the associate dean to get the nominations.

IV. Report from the Dean of Graduate School

a. CIM: CourseLeaf Curriculum program demo – (Colette Chelf)

<http://www.leepfrog.com/courseleaf/curriculum/>

V. Public Comments

VI. Announcements & Adjourn

*Plummer/Maxwell, motion to adjourn