

**Date:** December 7, 2023

**Time:** 3:00pm

**Facilitator:** Thomas Greckhamer

**Location:** School of Music, Room 105 (Virginia Howard Board Room)

Council Members

Thomas Greckhamer, Business – Chair	Andreas Giger, Music & Dramatic Arts – Assoc. Chair
Sabrina Taylor, Agriculture	David Spivak, Science
Ken Reichelt, Business	Mark Mitchell, Veterinary Medicine
Fereydoun "Fred" Aghazadeh, Engineering	Anne Grove, Science
Chad Seifried, Human Sciences & Education	Scott Wilks, Human Sciences & Education
Alecia P. Long, Humanities & Social Sciences	William Corbett, Law Center

Ex-officio in attendance: Carol Wicks, James Spencer, and Ashley Collins of the Graduate School

**Meeting Agenda**

3:01pm      Call to Order

Approval Or Revision of Last Meeting’s Minutes

- Updated the minutes in three places. Shared screen with GC and showed the updated areas.
  1. State law verbiage, Dean Spencer will get information.
  2. Guide to Graduate Faculty Status
  3. Voted that only FULL professors can serve on Graduate Council

Mark Mitchell made a motion, Andreas Giger seconded, Alecia P. Long and William Corbett abstained, and Last Meeting’s (November 2023) Minutes was approved.

Reports

- Chair’s Report: Thomas Greckhamer
  - We need one HSS Graduate Council representative. Followed up with HSS and have not held an election for replacement. Hopefully we will have new representative Fall 2024.
- Graduate School: Jim Spencer
  - Dean Spencer made a pitch for physical space for Graduate Students
  - Graduate Community Life and Center
  - Asking four million
  - One stop shop for graduate research and international related services
- Academic Affair: No Report Jackie Bach

New Business

- Spring 2024 Meeting Poll Thomas Greckhamer
  - 1:30-2:50pm or 3:00- 4:50pm, Monday - Friday
  - Location: Vet School or School of Music
  - Vote via Doodle Poll on all dates and times that would prefer.
  
- Transfer Credits Carol Wicks
  - Total credit hours post bachelor's degree to get doctoral degree?
  - How many 7000 level courses to get degree?
  - Graduate Catalog is not clear.
  - Looked at other SEC schools to see what they are doing. They have only one category. Either count towards degree or does not count.

Committee Report

- Graduate Faculty Status Committee Rohli
  - Two applications submitted.
- Graduate Council Constitution Committee Spivak
  - No report
- Memoranda of Understanding Committee Seifried
  - Followed up with LSU Shreveport because they were supposed to meet at the end of November, but the Dean and Director were out of town.
  - Passed to Associate Dean and still waiting but doesn't seem like it is going to be a hold up.
  - The Memoranda of Understanding is ready to go.
- Awards Committee Taylor
  - No report
- Promotion and Tenure Committee Aghazadeh
  - Fred Aghazadeh wants votes to be sent to him and Ashley Collins so he can make sure packets are being voted on in a timely manner.
  - Committed to be the Promotion and Tenure Committee Chair

3:55pm Adjournment:

- Mark Mitchell made a motion to adjourn, David Spivak seconded, meeting was adjourned.

Future Spring 2024 Meetings:

- Pending Poll // School of Music, Room 105 (Virginia Howard Board Room)

Important Dates:

- Graduation – December 2023

