

Graduate Council Policy Committee

November 6, 2019 • 10:30 am • MH 243

MINUTES

Members Present: Jim Moharam (Optics, **Chair**) Keith Koons (CAH, **Vice-Chair**), Uluc Aysun (COB), Robin Back (RCHM), Shana Harris (COS), Laurie Neely (CHPS), Ladda Thiamwong (CON), Deborah Altomare (COM), Devon Jensen (CGS), Barbara Fritzsche (CGS), Winston Schoenfeld (CGS)

Guests Present: Tonya Walker for Tosha Dupras (COS)

Recorder: Michele Pozdoll

Welcome and call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30am by committee chair Dr. Moharam. A quorum was established. Minutes approved from October 9, 2019 meeting.

Old Business-Discussion regarding senior faculty recruited and bring with them “trailing students”:

Dr. Barbara Fritzsche ask the committee to review the draft policy change and to give input and approve. Some wording adjustment will be made by Dr. Fritzsche, but the committee approved the new policy. Dr. Fritzsche informed the committee this will be added to the catalog.

New Business-Discussion regarding policy that allows applicants to appeal admission’s decision into a graduate program:

Dr. Jensen provided a handout and led the discussion asked for the committee’s input. 3 areas where this information is located. 1. In the Graduate Catalog, 2. UCF Regulations, and 3. Florida SUS Regulations. SUS Regulations are more geared towards Undergraduate Students. Graduate Student admissions goes through a different review process, multi levels, usually a committee for review. A question was asked. How many appeals are there? Dr. Jensen answered 2 for Fall 2019 but starting to increase per year. Also, concerns were stated about removing the department from the appeals process. The committee did not think anything should be changed since we already have an appeals policy in the graduate catalog. This was not a voting item just for discussion and feedback.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:29 am. The next meeting will be held on December 4th.