

UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL

September 13, 2010

Minutes

Participants: K. Klomparens (TGS), D. Bronstein (ANR), D. Hardison (CAL), C. Solomon (CHM), Griffis (BUS), Wang (CDM), A. Segall (TE), K. Renn (COE), J. Goddeeris (SSC), M. Lawrence (LAW), D. Polischuk (MUS), E. Outslay (BUS), A. Lovgren (COGS), J. Lonstein (PSY), T. Levine (CAS), M. Nguajiro (ANR), R. Mukkamala (EGR), S. F.-Miller (CHM), N. Jackson (CNS), J. Vinson (NUR), S. Fletcher (COGS), J. Funk (CVM), M. Chaudhury (COGS)

Guests: Michael Rip (EPI-CHM), Steve Lacy (CAS), Linda good (CAS)- given voice by vote, M. Halloran (LAW), L. Kalof (SOC), K. Millenbah (F&W), Schwartz (CNS), Hula (Poly Sci), P. Wu (Math), M. Wilson (SPDC), Tom Summerhill (SSC), Aron Sousa (CHM), Jack Lipton (CHM), J.R. Haywood (Pharm/TX)

AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda. (Approved)
2. Approval of April 12, 2010 Minutes (Approved)
3. Remarks from the Chairperson. Welcome from Chair Julie Funk
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Sub-committee chairs and committee rosters
 - Volunteer for UGC voting member of Academic Council
 - UGC Procedures
4. Remarks from the Graduate School
 - Comments from Klomparens: Please sign up for 1 UGC sub-committee. These do much of the policy work for UGC. Possible topics were circulated.
 - UGC Processes – for a formal vote in October.
 - o There are 4 modes of participation by UGC:
 - o Consult, advise, shared responsibility, delegated authority (handout on areas for each).
5. Remarks from COGS representative (Fletcher) – 57 parking spaces sold for East Lansing ramp.
 - Extended orientation served about 150 students
6. *UGC “Operating procedures” (Funk & Klomparens) (Approved)
7. *Sub-committee Chairs/Officers Ballot (Vote) (Approved)

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8. Reports of the University Graduate Council Subcommittees. (None)

Curriculum and Program Review Committee

Proposal for establishment of New Academic Departments in the College of Human Medicine – Grand Rapids (advice to Provost Wilcox)

Academic Research Policy Subcommittee

Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee

9. Commentary for letter on retailing closures:

Segall- Concern that the decisions for discontinuing programs (especially interdisciplinary programs) should be lodged with a college. Colleges have narrower views in times of financial stress for mostly their college-focused units, not those that may link (strongly) outside the college. How do we value interdisciplinary programs at MSU when it is not obvious that colleges value them in the same way as their “core” programs. What is Provost role for MSU in attending to the interdisciplinary cross-college programs.

Sense of group – Unanimous support for this comment.

Question about whether these program closures really save money.

Question about forcing a program into a college without a good fit; then closing it a few years later. This seems not very honest.

10. *Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Graduate Specialization in Public Health College of Human Medicine. (Approved)
11. *Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Public Health in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)
12. *Request for a New Graduate Certificate in International Public Health in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)
13. *Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Public Health Administration in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)
14. *Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Conservation Law in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife. (Approved)
15. *Request for a New Linked Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science (General) and Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy in the Department of Political Science. (Approved)
16. *Request for a New Linked Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics and Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy in the Department of Political Science. (Approved)
17. *Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Master of Science Degree in Retailing in the Department of Advertising. (2013) *No vote letter of comment for Provost*

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18. *Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Retailing in the Department of Advertising. (2015) *No vote letter of comment for Provost*
19. *Request to Change the Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Industrial Mathematics in the Department of Mathematics.
20. *Request to Change the Requirements for the Graduate Specialization in Animal Studies: Social Science and Humanities Perspective in the Department of Sociology. (Approved)
21. *Request for a Moratorium on Admission to the Master of Arts Degree in Interior Design and Facilities Management in the School of Planning, Design and Construction.
 - Moratorium on MA Interior Design and Facilities Management-
 - a. Small Program
 - b. Masters Environmental Design is a better fit for many students in the future
 - c. UGC supportive of this proposal
22. *Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Master of Arts Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science: Global Applications in the College of Social Science.
23. Phase out and discontinue MA Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science: Global applications
 - Originally designed for Korean business people. There are NO students in program and hasn't been for years
24. Proposal for establishment of New Academic Departments in the College of Human Medicine-Grand Rapids (Advice for Provost Wilcox, no vote)
 - a. Sousa, Lipton, Haywood – 3 new departments for CHM in Grand Rapids
 - b. Questions: Would East Lansing faculty be able to have adjunct status in TSMM? Yes.
 - c. MSU basic science departments support these new departments.
 - d. Grand Rapids faculty may also want adjunct status in MSU department too.
 - e. These would be independent (“real”) departments in Grand Rapids (hiring, T&P consideration, etc) need to reduce barriers between Grand Rapids and East Lansing
 - f. Graduate Students- will be in an MSU graduate program (not a PhD program in TSMM for now) on EL campus. Will they get “credit” for advising these students?
 - g. How to keep linked to EL campus with broad outlook – broader than the GR site? Have video links, expectations of connections to campuses as for any good MSU faculty member.
 - h. Guidance committee members – ideally will have a set of faculty from both GR and EL
 - i. The opportunity is great for Grad School- the translational science arena is popular and fundable.
 - j. Anesthesia – also a new department (Dean Mundt was not given a courtesy call) What is the link to college of Nursing – MS in Nurse Anesthesia?

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Concern is for residency placement, clinical placement, for their nursing students. An additional issue is the cost TO MSU for opening a new department – without an obvious (at least not shared with UGC) cost: benefit analysis.

- k. Emergency Medicine – also a clinical department

25. Roundtable

- a. Funk: Next UGC: Institutional data policy, mandatory student health insurance, reorganization of basic biomedical departments
- b. Lovgren (COGS): Extended orientation was successful and will be repeated Fall 2011
- c. Renn: update on eTD's? Its running!

26. Adjournment