

Present:

Brandy Randall, (*Chair*), Claire Rammel (*Ex Officio*), Henry Aigbedo, Kevin Grimm, Anne Hranchook, John Krauss (*Co-Chair*), Helen Levenson, Daniel Llamocca Obregon, Thandi Sulé, Meir Shillor, Paul Weinberg, Neil Baumgartner

Absent: Nicole Boelk, Darrin Hanna, Victoria Lucia

Staff: Linda Hutcheson (*Secretary*)

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

- The Graduate School will be replacing recently retired catalog specialist Evonne Mitchell, and will also be hiring a second Assistant Dean.
- The College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering and Computer Science's Master of Science in Bioengineering New Degree Program proposal was recently approved by the Board of Trustees.
- The Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) and Graduate Student Showcase (GSS) annual event was held this year on February 14th.
 - Students, including OUWB participants, had good experiences, and participating in this event creates a sense of community among graduate students.
 - Judges and sponsor Oakland University Credit Union's representative reported being impressed by the students.
 - Graduate School Dean Brandy Randall will be asking the Graduate Council for help encouraging more participation next year as this event helps the broader community understand what we do here and highlights that Oakland University is a research institution and that students in our programs are contributing to the good of the state.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kevin Grimm introduced a motion to approve the minutes for the Monday, February 10, 2025, meeting. Anne Hranchook seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Mechanical Engineering, PhD, Graduate Program Modification: first reading, debatable, amendable, and not eligible for final vote at this meeting.**

Reviewers: Anne Hranchook, Meir Shillor

Presenter(s): Laila Guessous

Meir Shillor introduced a motion to waive the second reading. Kevin Grimm seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meir Shillor introduced a motion to approve. Paul Weinberg seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

2) Mechanical Engineering, MS, Graduate Program Modification: first reading, debatable, amendable, and not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

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Presenter(s): Laila Guessous

- Graduate Council members support this proposal but are requesting a few minor revisions.
- Brandy Randall will forward to Laila Guessous suggested wording edits to improve clarity to version 2.
- Laila agreed to paste the 5th option into section 3, and to correct a typo to result in the sentence 'Change is being made'.

Meir Shillor introduced a motion to waive the second reading. Anne Hranchook seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Paul Weinberg introduced a motion to approve pending revisions. Anne Hranchook seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.

