

Present: Brandy Randall (*Chair*), Meghan Harris (*Co-Chair*), Seong Cho, Kris Condic (*Ex Officio*), Darrin Hanna, Lisa Hawley, Joanne Lipson-Freed, Daniel Llamocca, Robert Noiva, Claire Rammel (*Ex Officio*), Meir Shillor, V. Thandi Sulé, Kris Thompson

Staff: Celia Knobelsdorf (Secretary)

The meeting held remotely

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

A. Graduate School Budget

The Grad School is not going to have GA packages reduced as part of our share of budget reductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for the March 16, 2022 Graduate Council

Kris Thompson moved to approve the minutes of March 16, 2022 Graduate Council Meeting. Meir Shillor seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Senate Service Learning Committee

Amy Banes-Berceli, Interim Associate Provost, Academic Affairs presented the Council recommended changes to the Service Learning proposal.

Kris Thompson moved to approve the Senate Service Learning Committee resolution. Joanne Lipson-Freed seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

B. School of Medicine Grading Policy Modification

Claire Rammel worked with Tricia Westergaard, Registrar regarding the transcribing of Medical School grades. The Registrar approved the School of Medicine transcript legend, defining each category of grade. Claire Rammel shared the 2016 policy showing the grade definitions with the School of Medicine with David Thomas, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Preclinical Education, School of Medicine. The revised Medical School grading policy was provided, replacing Pass and Pass with Remediation with Pass 1 and Pass 2, and clearly defining each grade.

Robert Noiva moved to approve the modification of the School of Medicine Grading Policy. V. Thandi Sulé seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

C. Reading and Language Arts Post-Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) Certificate

Claire Rammel reviewed the responses from the Department with the Council. All the Council concerns were addressed.

Lisa Hawley moved to approve the modification to Reading and Language Arts Post-Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT). Robert Noiva seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

A. Refugee Policy

The policy was created to assist students where there may be circumstances under which an applicant is unable to provide some of the required application materials, such as war in home country or a natural disaster (e.g., only able to provide unofficial transcript). The Council carefully deliberated and recommended minor modification to wording.

B. In-Person Defense

The proposed revision to the In-Person Dissertation Defense policy would allow for a remote option for defense, and would allow more flexibility in the day/time the defense is scheduled for as some programs are designed as online, evening and/or

weekend programs. The Council had a lengthy discussion and recommended some modification in wording and suggesting a hybrid option for defense.

C. Preliminary Exam: Students Coming with Faculty

The proposed modification is to the Graduate Transfer Credit Policy for students coming with a faculty member. In the case of an incoming Ph.D. student who has already passed a comprehensive/preliminary plan and achieved candidacy at the institution being transferred from, the program may determine that milestone has been achieved and does not need to be repeated. All incoming Ph.D. students must fulfill Oakland University's dissertation proposal requirement at Oakland University with a committee that meets Oakland guidelines.

D. Adult Gerontological Acute Care Modification

Claire Rammel reviewed this program modification. The program is requesting a course substitution, changes in clinical hours from 700 to 630, which aligns with national, local and Oakland University primary care NP standards. Course will remain the same credits of seven (7) moving from three (3) credits didactic/four (4) credits clinical to four (4) didactic and three (3) clinical, and one course deletion of a one credit course (on plan of study in the summer semester). The content from this course will be taught in the extra didactic credit. The Council deliberated on these requested changes.

Meir Shillor made the motion to waive a second reading. Robert Noiva seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Robert Noiva made the motion to approve the Adult Gerontological Acute Care Modification. Meir Shillor seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:26 p.m.