

Meeting of February 15, 2017 2:00-3:30 p.m.
David Adamany Undergraduate Library, Community Room

Agenda

I. Approval of Minutes: January 18, 2017*

II. Report of the Chair

III. Old Business

A. Graduate Assistantship Allocation Committee Meetings

IV. New Business

A. Proposal to establish a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice program*
B. Data Ownership Guidelines

V. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee
B. New Programs Committee
C. Academic Standards Committee
D. Graduate Admissions
E. University Libraries Liaison
F. Academic Senate Liaison

VI. Adjournment

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 15, 2017
2:00 p.m., David Adamany Undergraduate Library, Community Room

Members Present: E. Ash, L. Beale, J. Beaudoin, N. Bhavnagri, A. Billings, R. Bramble, A. Cano, C. Chow, M. Clark, G. Corcoran, J. Duchan, A. Feig, S. Firestine, J. Green, M. Kavdia, S. Lean, S. Ng, L. Romano, D. Schutte, C. Sokol, T. Stemmler, M. Tracey, E. Troffkin, D. Walz, A. Yaprak

Members Absent

With notice: H. Dillaway, J. Ernst, E. Golenberg, L. Keashly, J. Pruchnic, P. Samuel, A. Vallerand

Members Absent: S. Abramowicz, P. Beavers, R. Benkert, S. Brown, S. Cala, R. Chinnam, C. Giurgescu, A. Guastella, H. Heng, D. Onolemhemen, J. Rothchild, L. Sabapathy, X. Zhang

Also Present: D. Baker, P. Frade, M. Walczyk, P. Worth

The Meeting was convened at 2:03 p.m. by Dean Ambika Mathur.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of January 18, 2017.

II. REPORTS OF THE CHAIR AND OLD BUSINESS

A. Graduate Assistantship Allocations Committee Meetings

- Dr. Steve Firestine reported that the Graduate Assistantship Allocation Committee which is a Provost charged committee has been established and has met three times. The committee was established to look at how graduate assistantships, broadly defined, are allocated throughout the University. The committee is in the early stages of beginning to look at the allocations and how to go about thinking about those. The goal of the committee is to make recommendations to the Provost by May 2017.
- Dr. Linda Beale asked if there are reports on what GTAs have taught.

- Dr. Firestine reported that the data has not been requested yet until the committee has determined what kind of data is necessary.
- Dr. Simon Ng asked about the current formula of assigning assistantships to Schools/Colleges.
- Dr. Firestine responded that the current process is based on historical allocations.
- Dr. Dan Walz added that as the former Dean of the Graduate School he is not aware of the history of the allocation process.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposal to establish a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice program

- Dr. Prudentia Worth presented the Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Program. The intent of this proposal is to move from our current master's degree program to a doctoral level. All programs in the country now exist at the master's level. As of January 2022 in the country will have to be at the doctoral level.
- The organizations and accrediting bodies that have indicated that all programs must move to the doctoral level.
- Dr. Worth provided information that there are five Nurse Anesthesia programs in Michigan. Only one of those five programs is currently at the doctoral level. Oakland University, the University of Detroit Mercy and Michigan State are all in the process of transitioning.
- Dr. Worth reported that the Wayne State Nurse Anesthesia Program in this city has been around for 54 years. Wayne State students have a completion of the National Board Examinations of about 100%. Graduates work as Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists and are often within months of graduation.
- Dr. Worth reported that the curriculum has two tracks. There is a track for students interested in education and a track for students interested in applied science. The new curriculum will have new courses for the educational track.
- The question was asked about the anticipated annual enrollment, and what is the demand for the program.
- Dr. Worth responded that the program currently has 40 students for two years and will go to 66 students because this will be a three-year program.
- The question was asked on whether students come in as an undergraduate and what the progress of the program.
- Dr. Worth responded that the students come in as baccalaureate-prepared individuals.
- Dr. Sharon Lean asked about additional faculty needs.
- Dr. Worth responded that there are currently 2.5 faculty designated for the current master's program. An additional 2.5 faculty positions and 1 FTE secretarial position has been requested.

B. Data Ownership Guidelines

- Associate Dean Feig reported that there have been some cases over the past several years where there has been confusion about the rights and privileges to data on campus. There is a need for some greater clarity to avoid these kinds of incidents in the future. The Academic Standards Committee was tasked with drafting guidelines. The General Counsel would like them to be guidelines not policies. The document will be called "Data Ownership Guidelines" and are

intended to provide a framework for dissertation advisers and graduate students to talk about who owns what, and who has what rights and privileges to data at the start of the dissertation.

- Associate Dean Feig reported that typically in contracts, there is specific language about who owns what data. In those contracts, the university owns everything and the faculty member is the steward. The graduate student typically doesn't exist. The gray area comes where projects are not funded.
- Associate Dean Feig indicated that the students are partners in all of the work collecting the data. Students have rights and privileges most of the time to take copies of data that was collected data.
- Associate Dean Feig reported that the guidelines, as written, stipulate that the PI become a steward of the data, therefore a faculty member would then be responsible for the period of a determined number of years of retaining the data for record keeping purposes.
- Associate Dean Feig indicated that the second point of the document that Academic Standards wrote refers to the fact that the intent of the work that is done for scholarly publication, neither the faculty member nor the student should obstruct publication unwarrantedly. That doesn't mean there won't be academic disagreements about what data mean, but that there are rights from both sides and that people need to follow the guidelines in their field from groups like COPE, the Committee on Publication Ethics, which is a trans-disciplinary group. Or relevant disciplinary society that might have similar ethical guidelines for who has to get notified in particular when data are published. All stakeholders should be aware that there is an intent to publish, so that a student doesn't publish without a dissertation adviser's awareness, and vice versa, that a dissertation adviser doesn't publish without anyone who is integral to the project being aware of the publication going forward.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

- Dr. Firestine reported that the committee discussed the issues that have arisen because of the Executive Order and immigration challenges. Students should be directed to OISS for assistance.

B. New Programs Committee

- Associate Dean Annmarie Cano reported that the New Programs and Program Review committee reviewed two new masters programs, one in Information Science from the School of Library and Information Science. The second program was in Supply Chain Management from the Mike Ilitch School of Business. Several proposals from Education and the closure of a graduate certificate.

C. Academic Standards Committee

- Dr. Feig indicated that the committee only discussed was data ownership which was already reported in the new business.

D. Graduate Admissions

- Dean Mathur reported that the issue about the graduate admission application fee has been discussed in several meetings. Admission applications started to go down before the graduate application fee was reinstated as of January 1, 2017. The data indicates that the trajectory went up for a number of colleges, and went down in maybe one; a little bit in the second one, but mostly in just the one. Frivolous applications have definitely dropped.
- Dean Mathur also stated that international applications are down across the country for various reasons.

E. University Libraries Liaison

- No Report

F. Academic Senate

- Dr. Lou Romano reported that Rob Korman presented at the Academic Senate meeting. The FMRE made \$12 million this year that was used to pay a \$22 million debt from last year, leaving a \$10 million debt, which is added to the current \$29 million debt. The result will be that the debt will be completely solved this coming year by transferring all payments to FMRE.
- Dr. Romano reported that the Academic Senate finalized issues with the student code of conduct proposal. The Student Senate strongly believes that students should be allowed to re-use work that they prepared for one class in another class without getting the permission of the instructor to which he or she is submitting that work the second time. The Academic Senate strongly objected to this and modified the student code of conduct, the changes were approved at the last Board of Governors at the last meeting.
- Dr. Romano reported that the Academic Senate is making some progress in changing the general education proposal. There are new subcommittees that are looking at parts of it, and some of the recommendations that have come from either the Senate or other groups have made headway.

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sokol

Manager of the Graduate Council