Minutes of the 7th meeting of  
The Graduate Council  
2011-2012

**Date and Time:** Thursday, April 5, 2012  
**Place:** Room 244, Administration Building  
**Attendance:** Dr. Donna Davis, Dr. Gary Elbow, Dr. Ann Hawkins, Dr. Ram Iyer, Dr. Priyantha Jayawickrama, Dr. Eileen Johnson, Dr. Johnny Sparks, Dr. Michael Stoune  
**Ex-officio:** Mr. Florencio Aranda, Dr. Clifford Fedler, Dr. Ralph Ferguson, Dr. Peggy Miller  
**Visitors:** Dr. Jacek Jonca-Jasinski, Dr. Melanie Hart, Dr. Peggy Price

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate School website at [www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool).

II. A motion was made by Eileen Johnson and seconded by Ann Hawkins to approve the minutes from the 6th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, March 1, 2012. The Graduate Council approved these minutes.

III. Students admitted to Doctoral Candidacy.

The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of their departments. A motion was made by Michael Stoune and seconded by Eileen Johnson. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

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V. Academic Requests

The following course applications come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program Committee and seconded by Michael Stoune. The Graduate Council approved.

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

**EDHE 5301:** Critical issues in Higher Education (3:3:0:0) (change in title and description)

**EDHE 5303:** Access and Equity in American Higher Education (3:3:0:0) (change in title)

The following course applications come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program Committee and seconded by Johnny Sparks with minor correction made to the application for PHYS 5374. The Graduate Council approved.

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

**PHYS 5374:** Research Experience in Physics (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**ZOOL 6305:** Molecular Systematics and Evolution (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**GEOG 6000:** Master’s Thesis (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**GCH 5307:** X-ray Powder Diffraction Method (3:3:0:0) (Deletion)

**GCH 5309:** Clay Mineralogy (3:3:0:0) (Deletion)

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

**ECE 5388:** Solid-State Energy Devices I (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**ECE 5389:** Solid-State Energy Devices II (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**ECE 5390:** Functional Materials (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

**ECE 5392:** Nanophotonics (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

VI. Informational Business

Dr. Miller introduced Dr. Jacek Jonca-Jasinski as the new Director of Graduate student Life. Jacek introduced Florencio Aranda the President of the Graduate Student Advisory Council. Florencio gave a brief description of what the GSAC does for the Graduate Students and what they are there for. He also sent out an invitation to the First Grad Bash on April 9th at Bar PM.

VII. Announcements

Dr. Ferguson announced the Eleventh Annual Graduate Student Research Poster Competition was a huge success and thanked everyone that helped put this together from staff, students and especially to those that volunteered to be judges.
Dr. Miller announced there are housing scholarships for the summer terms that are available through the Graduate School. Students receiving one must buy a minimum food plan.

Dr. Miller encouraged the Council to attend the Literary Lubbock on Thursday, May 3rd at 5:30 p.m. in the Merket Alumni Center. This will be a signature evening with Southwestern Authors.

Dr. Stoune asked if the Graduate School still had funds for the Growing Graduate Programs. Dr. Miller announced we are currently out of funding dollars but encourages you to email your request to her anyway.

The next Graduate Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 28, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.