Minutes of the 2nd meeting of
The Graduate Council
2007-2008

Date and Time: Thursday, October 4, 2007
Place: Provost Conference Room

Attendance: Dr. Rashid Al-Hmoud, Dr. Mukaddes Darwish, Dr. Gary Harris, Dr. Scott Hein, Dr. Steve Fraze, Dr. Miriam Mulsow, Dr. Tom Johnson, Dr. Kent Wilkinson, Dr. Comfort Pratt
Ex-officio: Dr. Fred Hartmeister, Dr. Wendell Aycock, Dr. Duane Crawford, Dr. Ralph Ferguson, Scott Gorenc

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate School website at www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool.

II. Minutes from the 1st meeting of the Graduate Council held on September 6th were approved. Motion for approval was made by Gary Harris and seconded by Scott Hein.

III. The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of their departments. A motion was made by Comfort Pratt and seconded by Scott Hein. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Tiffany Brown ................................................................. Marriage & Family Therapy
Deepali Butani ................................................................. Chemistry
Mary C. Fehr ................................................................. Curriculum & Instruction
Kulothungam Ganapathy ........................................................ Chemistry
Amanda Harrington ........................................................ Marriage & Family Therapy
Keith Jones ................................................................. Industrial Engineering
Parminder Kaur ................................................................. Chemistry
Maria del Rosario Lara ........................................................ Spanish
Jason McAfee ................................................................. Chemistry
Micah Lauren Meixner ........................................................ Performance
Ricardo Molina ................................................................. Educational Leadership
Adam Munk ................................................................. Marriage & Family Therapy
Dennis Noll ................................................................. Wind Science & Engineering
Catherine Polydore ........................................................ Educational Psychology
William L. Powell ........................................................ Physics
Anand Tharanathan ........................................................ Experimental Psychology
Mara Vaughn ................................................................. Spanish
Xia Wei ................................................................. Chemistry
Erin Alexis Wheeler ........................................................ Agricultural & Applied Economics
Mark White ................................................................. Marriage & Family Therapy
Kevin B. Williams ........................................................ Agricultural Education
IV. A motion was made by Scott Hein and seconded by Steve Fraze to approve these applications for Graduate Faculty. The Graduate Council considered and approved 46 applications for Graduate Faculty.

The new members are:

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES**
- Dr. Selma Glassock, Ph.D., 2001, Texas A&M University (Natural Resources)
- Dr. James C. MacDonald, Ph.D., 2006, University of Nebraska (Animal & Food Sciences)

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**
- Dr. Barbara Allison, Ph.D., 1998, Ohio State University
- Dr. Don Arterburn, Ph.D., 2002, Texas Tech University, (HESS)
- Dr. Melanie Barnes, Ph.D., 1976, Mount Holyoke College (Geosciences)
- Dr. Cristina Bradatan, Ph.D., 2004, Pennsylvania State University (SASS)
- Dr. Lars Christensen, Ph.D., 1999, University Of Copenhagen (Mathematics & Statistics)
- Dr. Aderbal C. Correa, Ph.D., 1974, Stanford University (Geosciences)
- Dr. Sean Cunningham, Ph.D., 2007, University of Florida (History)
- Dr. Patricia Driskell, Ph.D., 1967, Amarillo College (Psychology)
- Dr. Victoria E. Howle, Ph.D., 2001, Cornell University (Mathematics & Statistics)
- Dr. Sandra J. Huston, Ph.D., 2001, University of Missouri (Applied and Prof. Studies)
- Dr. Leonard C. Kiefer, Ph.D., 2006, Ohio State University (Economics & Geography)
- Dr. David Lektzian, Ph.D., 2003, Michigan State University (Political Science)
- Dr. Miguel Levario, Ph.D., 2007 University of Texas, Austin (History)
- Kevin Long, Ph.D., 1990, Princeton University (Mathematics & Statistics)
- Mark McKenzie, Ph.D., 2007, University of Texas, Austin (Political Science)
- Young-Kyu Moh, Ph.D., 2003, Ohio State University (Economics and Geography)
- Gregg R. Murray, Ph.D., 2003, University of Houston (Political Science)
- Timothy Nokken, Ph.D., 1999, University of Illinois (Political Science)
- Cynthia R. Rugeley, Ph.D., 2007, Florida State University (Political Science)
- Ethan Schmidt, Ph.D., 2007, University of Kansas
- Dylan Schwilk, Ph.D., 2004, Stanford University (Biological Sciences)
- Byungtae Seo, Ph.D., 2007, Pennsylvania State University (Mathematics & Statistics)
- Doug Smith, Ph.D., 2006, Kansas State University (Applied & Professional Studies)
- Cynthia Sorrensen, Ph.D., 1998, Ohio State University (Economics & Geography)
- Adao Trindade, Ph.D., 2000, Colorado State University (Mathematics & Statistics)
- Jason Wasserman, Ph.D., 2007, University of Alabama at Birmingham (SASW)
- Jason Whiting, Ph.D., 2001, Michigan State University (Applied & Professional Studies)
- Kyle Wiens, Ph.D., 2005, Colorado State University (Geosciences)
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Dr. Doug Peterson, Ph.D., 197, University of Nebraska (Management)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Dr. Stacy Carter, Ph.D., 2005, Mississippi State University (EP&L)
Dr. Aswan Hamza, Ph.D., 2006, Texas Tech University (EP&L)
Dr. Stephanie Jones, Ed.D., 2006, Texas Tech University (EP&L)

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
Dr. M. Rafiqul Awal, Ph.D., 2001, University of Oklahoma (Petroleum Engineering)
Dr. Lianfa Song, Ph.D., 1993, University of California (Civil & Environmental Engineering)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES
Dr. Sarah Kulokfsky, Ph.D., 2007, Cornell University (HDFS)

HONORS COLLEGE
Dr. Laura Calkins, Ph.D., 1990, University of London, England (Honors College)

COLLEGE OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS
Dr. Lori Boyer, Ph.D., 2002, University of Florida, (Mass Comm)
Dr. R. Glen Cummins, Ph.D., 2005, University of Alabama (Mass Comm)
Dr. Trent Seltzer, Ph.D., 2007, University of Florida (Mass Comm)
Dr. Mary Lou Sheffer, Ph.D., 2005, Louisiana State University (Mass Comm)
Dr. Shelley Wigley, Ph.D., 2006, University of Oklahoma (Mass Comm)

COLLEGE OF VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS
Dr. Shawn T. Bible, MFA, 2005, University of Michigan (Theatre and Dance)
Dr. James B. Bush, Ph.D., 2003, Texas Tech University (Theatre and Dance)
Dr. Carol D. Edwards, Ph.D., Florida State University

V. Academic Requests:

A motion was made to approve the course applications by Miriam Mulsow and seconded by Scott Hein. The following applications for Course Approval were approved by the Graduate Council:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
GEOL 5323 Depositional Systems (3:3:0) (Deletion)
GEOL 5422 Sedimentary Geology of Carbonates (4:3:3) (Addition)
GEOL 5424 (Clastic Sedimentology (4:3:3) (Addition)
GEOL 5211 (Sedimentary Petrology (2:2:0) (Deletion)
GEOL 5212 (Sedimentary Petrology Methods (2:0:6) (Deletion)
VI. Announcements

Becky Davidson of the Graduate School announced that the Graduate School has now subscribed to “turn it in.com” to assist students with their thesis. Becky stated that this program would help promote academic integrity. The program is designed to “protect and detect”. For example, a paper is scanned into the program and the program then compares the paper to various books, websites, newspapers, etc. An originality report is then processed from turn it in.com which will show the student any citation mistakes or other errors. The license was purchased for the Graduate School only and is not being used campus wide at this time. The Graduate School hopes to maintain 100% of academic integrity with dissertations and thesis from this point on. This program is currently used in 50 countries. After announcing this to the Council, the Graduate School will now publicize this to all departments and colleges.

Follow-up on Graduate Student Housing:
Scott Gorenc reported that McDougal contacted Tech requesting a focus group and asked what amenities do graduate students need. No endorsement by SGA was made for this project and is being completed by a private contract.

An announcement was made by Dr. Hartmeister regarding additional funding available to departments to hire additional work study students. The Graduate Council was asked to take this information back to their department chairs and encouraged to contact Becky Wilson, Paul Blake, or Yvonne Harwood, who are the contacts for the allocations. The Deans of each of the colleges determines how departments are compensated. If the colleges do not use the allocations given to them, they will be re-allocated to another college.

Council adjourned at 3:22 p.m.