

**University of North Texas Health Science Center
Graduate Council Meeting
October 11, 2012**

RECORDING: Amanda Griffith

PRESIDING: Jamboor K. Vishwanatha

PRESENT: Berg, Cisneros, Cunningham, He, Jones, Kemp, Lee, Roby, Whitehead and Wordinger

ABSENT: Basu, Cammarata, Clark, Cruser, Forster, Gwartz, Moty, Prokai, Reeves, Simecka, Stille, and Sumien

MEETING TIME: 3:05 PM – 4:50 PM

MEETING LOCATION: CBH - 344

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusion	Action/Recommendation	Responsible Person(s)
Approval of September 2012 Minutes	Dr. Cunningham moved to approve the February 2012 meeting minutes. Dr. Wordinger seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Post to GSBS website.	Ms. Lee
Graduate Faculty Categories	Copies of the <i>GSBS Bylaws, Article III – Graduate Faculty Membership</i> were distributed and discussed. The following request was to the chairman of the GSBS Bylaws Committee In Article III – Graduate Faculty Membership, Section B, there is no mention of the academic rank of Instructor. Graduate Council recommends the bylaws be changed to “...Persons with the rank of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, or Instructor are eligible to be nominated as members of category I, II , or III of the graduate faculty...” The GSBS Bylaws Committee approved the requested change.	Post updated bylaws to GSBS website.	Ms. Lee
Graduate Faculty Appointments	Dr. Berg moved to appoint W. Paul Bowman, M.D. for temporary Graduate Faculty status. Dr. Jones seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Notify appointees.	Ms. Griffith
BMSC 6310	Dr. Vishwanatha discussed some concerns that faculty had expressed regarding students passing their oral qualifying exams.	No action required.	
Lab Rotations	Lab rotation timing was discussed. No changes were made.	No action required.	
Strategic Growth Planning	Dr. Vishwanatha encouraged the faculty to continue to develop opportunities for growth for specialized masters programs, not limited to FGEN and MEDS. Consider online programs and certificate programs.	No action required.	

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New Forms	<p>Dr. Wordinger moved to approve the <i>Research Progress Report</i> form. Dr. Cunningham seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Dr. Wordinger moved to approve the <i>Lab Rotation: Student Evaluation of Rotation</i> form with the following addition “This form may be seen by GSBS faculty, chair and dean, as appropriate.” Dr. Cunningham seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Dr. Wordinger moved to approve the <i>Lab Rotation: Faculty Evaluation of Rotation</i> form. Dr. Cunningham seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>	Forms to be posted on GSBS website.	Ms. Lee
Library Update	Ms. Whitehead announced that construction has started in area in front of the library. Graduation forms have been corrected to ensure that a one-year embargo is now the default.	No action required.	
GSA Update	Ms. Cisneros provided a list of upcoming fund raisers that the GSA was participating in. Those include: Haunted House at the FAC, canned food drive with MSCSO, and a bake sale for Alzheimer’s Walk.	No action required.	
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Kemp announced that writing workshops are now being held to assist students. A linguistics professor is also available to work with students/faculty to assist with fluency in English. • The North Texas Life Sciences Research Symposium is scheduled for Saturday, November 3 in the MET. • The Faculty/Staff Assembly and Dean’s Toast are scheduled for Wednesday, November 14. • Dr. Ghorpade’s Outstanding Graduate Faculty Seminar & Reception is scheduled for Wednesday, November 28. 	No action required.	

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