

**University of North Texas Health Science Center
Graduate Council Meeting
July 14, 2011**

RECORDING: Amanda J. Griffith
PRESIDING: Jamboor K. Vishwanatha
PRESENT: Basu, Berg, Clark, Cunningham, Kaman, Kemp, Lee, Milligan, Prokai, Siede, Talamantes, and Warren
ABSENT: Crusier, Forster, Fulda, Gwartz, Nguyen, Planz, Reeves, Schetz, Stille, and Sumien

MEETING TIME: 3:03 – 3:53 PM
MEETING LOCATION: EAD-810

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusion	Action/Recommendation	Responsible Person(s)
Approval of July 2011 Meeting Minutes	Dr. Cunningham moved to approve the May 2011 meeting minutes. Dr. Clark seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Post to GSBS website.	Ms. Lee
Placement Exam for MEDS to PhD	Dr. Vishwanatha opened discussion regarding the creation of a policy for accepting credits for students who completed the Medical Sciences program and want to pursue a PhD. Discussion topics included developing a placement exam to qualify for exemption from core courses and necessity and timing of oral qualifying exams. Graduate Council requested a formal policy to be presented for a vote.	Ms. Lee to draft a policy and present to Graduate Council for approval.	Ms. Lee
Student Satisfaction Survey: Quality of Teaching	Dr. Vishwanatha discussed the results from the most recent SSI, notably the Quality of Teaching. Dr. Vishwanatha indicated that improvements were being made to the core courses that address some of the concerns. Dr. Clark indicated that team based learning would be integrated into the essay core courses. Dr. Vishwanatha will be hosting two round-table meetings (one for doctoral students and one for faculty) to discuss the issues. Data from these round-table meetings will be distributed during Graduate Council retreat in September.	Data to be collected during round-table meetings and distributed during Graduate Council retreat.	Dr. Vishwanatha
Faculty Appointments	Dr. Siede moved to appoint Johnny He, PhD for Category III Graduate Faculty status. Dr. Basu seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u> Dr. Prokai moved to appoint Sanjay Awasthi, M.D. for Adjunct, Category III Graduate Faculty status. Dr. Basu seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Notify appointees.	Ms. Griffith

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GSA Update	Ms. Talamantes stated that the TABS program had concluded successfully. The Medical Sciences Community Service Organization (MSCSO) is working with the GSA to organize some service opportunities. The GSA is planning a movie night social for August.	None	None
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Kaman will be retiring at the end of July. A reception honoring him will be held in the atrium. Further information will be distributed via e-mail. - A search to fill the Department Chair position for Molecular Biology & Immunology is currently underway. - The outside review for BMSC is being conducted on July 15, 2011. 		