

**University of North Texas Health Science Center  
Education Council Meeting  
February 9, 2022**

**RECORDING:** Connie Stephens

**PRESIDING:** Michael Mathis, Ph.D..

**PRESENT:** Berg, Borgmann, Bunnell, M. Cunningham, Dossou, Fudala, Gregory, Handler, Hodge, S. Mathew, Mathis, Menegaz, Meyer, Ortega, Rickards, M. Smith, D. Smith, Stephens, Sumien,

**ABSENT:** Cloe, R. Cunningham, Inman, Ma, Phillips,

**MEETING TIME:** 3:04 – 4:41

**MEETING LOCATION:** LIB 400

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusion	Action/ Recommendation	Responsible Person(s)
<b>Minutes</b>	Dr. Hodge moved to accept the January Minutes and Dr. Fudala second the motion. Motion carried.	Post minutes to website	C. Stephens
<b>Dean's Update</b>	Dr. Mathis announced he was being flexible with his class due to COVID and there were no issues with the school closure due to the recent snow.  The undergraduate program is still progressing nicely.		
<b>Education &amp; Admissions</b>	Dr. Berg announced the sub-committee for TA's has met once now. The school has 37 PhD and 7 MS applications approved so far and has moved to the Dean.  Dr. Hodge said since we have early admission she has already completed 50 applications. In March she anticipates many more.		
<b>Library Update</b>	Lewis Library has unlimited access to the following subscription journals - <a href="#">Development</a> , <a href="#">Journal of Cell Science</a> and <a href="#">Journal of Experimental Biology</a> - and their archives from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2024. The journals can be cross-searched <a href="#">here</a> alongside fully Open Access journals - <a href="#">Disease Models &amp; Mechanisms</a> and <a href="#">Biology Open</a> .  Corresponding authors at HSC can also publish an uncapped number of Open Access research articles in Company of Biologists' hybrid subscription journals and their fully Open Access journals. A step-by-step guide for authors is available <a href="#">here</a> . If you have any questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:AskALibrarian@unthsc.edu">AskALibrarian@unthsc.edu</a> .		

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<b>Graduate Student Association Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I- Peer-to-peer mentoring meeting in January: first year students doing much better and adjusting well to the program</li> <li>II- Non-academic career speaker invited by SACNAS: good response from traditional students</li> <li>III- GSA January Bowling event: turnout was okay</li> <li>IV- Next GSA event will be the GIST on February 22<sup>nd</sup> 12-1 PM (Flyers will be distributed soon)</li> <li>V- Working on RAD social</li> <li>VI- Need for Rep from GSBS administration on GSA advisory board</li> <li>VII- Comments from MedSci students on being able to view answers to their quiz questions</li> </ul>		
<b>Center for Academic Performance Update</b>	They have hired a full- time person for grant writing. This employee will be able to help with writing essays, applications, grants, etc.		
<b>Distance Education Committee</b>	Due to the school closure, snow, the committee was unable to meet this month.		
<b>Old Business</b>	No Old Business		
<b>New Business</b>	Dr. Berg presented the Milestone Competencies to the Council he and Dr. Sumien have been working on for a while. After some discussion Dr. Berg approved it and Dr. Smith second. Motion carried. Kim Meyer mentioned these milestones may work well in Canvas and it will be considered in the future.		

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	<p>Derrick Smith introduced a new form for Course Directors to fill out in May for the Fall School semester. In this form they will tell SBS staff what is needed and required for their classes including the rooms available. This should help with the back and forth before it goes to the registration office. There were a few questions especially about Special Problems but Derrick assured faculty it would not be a problem to add Special Problem Courses.</p> <p>Dr. Hodge presented new guidelines for Grade Appels. After much discussions it was advised to consider the changes mentioned and present again in March's meeting.</p>		
<b>Graduate Faculty Nominations</b>	<p>Dr. Handler presented for Dr. Menegaz a professional affiliate nomination, Wendy Middlemiss, Dr. Mathis approved and second by Dr. Hodge. Motion carried. Dr. Sumien presented Luis Colon-Perez as a nomination, Dr. Sumien approved and Dr. Gregory second. Motion carried.</p>		
<b>Motion to adjourn</b>	<p>Dr. Gregory motion to adjourn and Dr. Hodge second.</p>		