

FINAL
GRADUATE AFFAIRS COUNCIL

Friday, February 5, 2016

1:00 p.m. – Bonnie Combo Room

PRESENT: Dennis Grady (*presiding*), Laura Jacobsen (*ex officio*), Brad Bizzell, John Brummette, Matthew Brunner, Virginia Burggraf, Rana Duncan-Daston, Lori Elis, Lauren Flora, Pam Jackson, Kay Johnson, Kristin Machac, Eric Mesmer, Douglas Mitchell, Olga Pogorelsky, Cheri Triplett, Patricia Winter, Paul Witkowsky
Staff: Michele Ralston (*recorder*), Hannah Alden-Hugli, Julienne Boone, Rebecca Conner, Phillip Hardy, Teri Hills, Bob Jennings, Priya Lall (Graduate Club President)

1. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:04 p.m. by Dr. Dennis Grady.

2. MINUTES

There were no minutes prepared to approve from the prior meeting.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dean Grady introduced two new part-time members of the Graduate College staff, Bob Jennings for Recruitment and Hannah Alden-Hugli for Student Support while Teri is on maternity leave. He also introduced and welcomed Priya Lall, Graduate Student Club President.
- Dean Grady announced that the Gerontology Certificate had been approved. The OT Doctoral program passed the Board of Visitors and once implemented would be RU's fourth doctoral program. The PMHNP Certificate passed the Senate and is on to SCHEV for further approvals. The Ed.D. is still in discussions with SCHEV.
- Kay Johnson announced that the Assessment of Library Resources Form no longer has the formal library approval line and is on the website.
- Olga Pogorelsky gave an update on the progression of Degree Works. She stated checklists for programs including catalog years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 were ready and she would be setting up meetings with the various programs to verify the checklists.
- Dr. Jacobsen gave updates on revising the recruitment practices to provide a more personal touch and more one on one interactions with potential students.
- Dr. Jacobsen stated HR had approved the search process for a new recruiter. The search committee will include Dr. Robbins and Dr. Elis. We have also requested another new hire for the office but will not know whether this is funded until after the May BOV meeting.

- Dr. Jacobsen stated proposals for the RFP for Strategic Marketing had been received and they are currently under review.
- Rebecca Connor gave a presentation on the improvements Prospect will have over the current Admit. She gave a detailed presentation on how a person will flow through Prospect from our initial meeting to becoming an Alumnus.
- Dr. Jacobsen announced the approvals in ACPR for CORP to change their name to Strategic Communications. Nursing was also approved for changing prerequisites for Nurse Executive Leadership.

4. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Dean Grady announced Patricia Shoemaker will be RU's first University Ombudsman
- Matt Dunleavy will be moving to the Assessment office in the CEHD
- The new President Hemphill will be bringing a Chief of Staff with him from West VA
- The new CHBS building will be opening in July or August

ADJOURN

Dr. Grady adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.