

# GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

## August 28, 2018

The Graduate Council met at 10:00 am in Thomas Boyd Hall in Room 135 with the following members present: Broussard, Lockridge, Richardson (ex-officio), Adams, Cai, Chance, Frick, Gansle, Lindau, Perry, Piccoli, and Seifried.

Absent members: Lee (ex-officio), de Queiroz, Francis, Husseneder, Pojman, and Sharky.

### Minutes of May 10, 2018

Broussard asked if there were any objections to the minutes from May's meeting. Gansle made a motion to accept the May meeting minutes, Lindau seconded, and the motion passed unopposed.

### Chair's Report

- Broussard thanked everyone for coming to the first meeting of the semester. She introduced the new Interim Dean of the Graduate School, Malcolm Richardson, and new member, Chad Seifried.
  - The participants in the trial affiliate membership were thanked for their participation.
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**Proposal: MS in CFS Program**

Pamela Monroe briefly summarized the history of the Child and Family Studies (CFS) program and how it was placed on hiatus some time ago. This proposal would reactivate the program. It was previously responsible for 55% of Masters Degrees in Human Ecology. The proposal mistakenly went to C&C before coming to the Graduate Council and was conditionally approved. She opened the floor for discussion.

Chance asked if the 7000 level courses are new. Monroe stated these courses are not new and are the norm for this type of program. He followed up by asking if there were resources available to support the relaunching of this program. Monroe says the department has added new faculty and Ph.D. level, permanent instructors.

Chance asked if any are ever submitted, to which Richardson responded that he was uncertain of the precise number. Several members discussed and agreed that a policy should be created to protect the role of the Dean's representative in this type of scenario. The faculty and Dean's representative should be trusted to ensure this is not a common issue. Richardson replied that although it is not an issue currently, that it might come up in the future. Some members agreed

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