

DATE: December 4, 2021

TIME: 1:30 PM

LOCATION: 236 Career Center

APPROVED

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MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Seifried, Spivak, Johnson, Olszewski, Lam, Groves, Long, Mitchell, Porter, Wang, Wilks, Wu, Bash, Spence, & Wiers.

ABSENT: Holton, Husseneder, & Piccolini.

CALL TO ORDER

Seifried called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Graduate Council members approved the November meeting minutes as distributed.

REPORTS

CHAIR'S REPORT: Seifried reminded members to provide their availability to participate in the spring semester. He also asked if members were willing to attend ceremonies in place of members that are unable to attend.

GRADUATE SCHOOL'S REPORT: No report.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS' REPORT: No report.

NEW BUSINESS

FULL-TIME RESEARCH AND APPLICATION FEE WAIVERS MEMO: The Graduate School would like to expand the number of full-time students admitted to the program to include Fulbright Scholars. Spivak stated that if we have any abundance of applicants who are attending a minority serving institution, we are going to try to remove one of the barriers experienced by applicants.

Spivak moved to approve the memo unanimously.

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM PROPOSAL: Long moved to table the proposal until a representative can attend a meeting to answer questions.

ACCELERATED MASTERS PROPOSAL: Spivak stated the proposal would be approved.

COURSE FACULTY SUB COMMITTEE: Spivak stated the subcommittee to review the document in January.

OLD BUSINESS

REVISED MC IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT: Spivak stated the proposal was approved by the Graduate Council and the FSCCC. Department made minor revisions, requested a second review. Long moved to approve. Porter seconded.

POLICY: ELIGIBILITY OF FACULTY & STAFF FOR GRADUATE DEGREE A faculty member includes those at or above the rank of instructor may work toward a graduate degree at this university. If a faculty member wishes to pursue a graduate degree, then the faculty member, their immediate supervisor, and the chair of the department in which the faculty member wishes to pursue the degree must submit, as part of the admission process, a statement outlining how the faculty member's advanced degree will benefit the faculty member's current department and LSU. If the faculty member is admitted and enrolls as a graduate student in the LSU Graduate School, then that faculty member may not teach or advise graduate students in the department in which they are pursuing their degree. In addition, the faculty member and both Department Chairs need to make sure that potential conflicts of interest regarding students in any courses, committee assignments, and promotion and tenure decisions are avoided. A plan for avoiding such conflicts must be included
