

**Council of Graduate School Programs
Loyola University Chicago
Regular Meeting
Friday, November 18, 2005
25 East Pearson, Room 301, Water Tower Campus**

**MINUTES
Approved on February 17, 2006**

Members Present: Barney Berlin, Matthew Butcher (student), Kenneth Byron, Pamela Caughie, Andrew Cutrofello, Robert Di Vito, Stephen Doty, Lynne Golomb, Terry Grande, Thackery Gray, Maureen Hellwig, Bernie McMahon (library), Ruben Mestril, Patricia Mooney-Melvin, Kayhan Parsi, Susan Penckofer, Louis Rizzo (student), Grace Scrimgeour (student), Loretta Stalans (chair), Scott Tindale, Elizabeth Vera, Karen Visick, Peter Whalley, Alan Wolfe,

Members Excused: Gregory Dobrov, Janis Fine, Olympia González, Robert Ludwig, Mary Manteuffel, Jennifer Parks, Peter Sánchez, George Thiruvathukal (chair-elect), Fred Wezeman (associate dean).

Members Not Present: Robert Halpern, John Karavitis (student), E.J. Neafsey, Terry Northcut, Ken Olsen, Robert Roemer.

Graduate School Deans: Sam Attoh, Nicole Lassahn.

Call to Order

Loretta Stalans, chair of the Council, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes of the Past Meeting

Dr. Stalans asked if there were any revisions to the draft of the minutes of the October 21, 2005, regular meeting. There were none. *The Council approved the minutes by voice vote with two abstentions.*

Chair's Report

There was no report.

Dean's Report

Dean Attoh discussed Health insurance subsidies, student activity fees, increased stipends, enrollment targets and doctoral program size, exit survey and other data collection activities, and international initiatives. Discussion followed.

Report by the CAS/Grad School Task Force on GPD Compensation

Dr. Grande reported the task force's recommendations and rationales; discussion followed. The Council recognized that minor changes to the wording of the recommendation might be made, but was in agreement with the substance of the recommendations. The following motion to support the principle of the plan was put forth:

The Council of Graduate School Programs supports the principles underlying the recommendations of the Task Force on GPD Compensation.

This motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. Several Council members expressed their appreciation to Dr. Grande and the task force for their hard work.

Discussion of Graduate School Strategic Goals

Dean Attoh reviewed the six proposed goals with accompanying rationales, progress toward them so far, and possible further strategies for achieving them.

Awards Committee

Dr. Penckofer, chair of the Awards Committee, gave a brief report, stating the submission dates for theses and dissertations for consideration for an award. Volunteers were once again solicited to serve on the Awards Committee representing the social sciences. Because no one came forward, the Awards Committee will have four members representing humanities, nursing, professional schools, and natural science.

Bylaws Committee

There was no Bylaws Committee report.

Curriculum Committee

There was no Curriculum Committee report.

Program Review Committee

The Council considered the following standing motion from the Program Review Committee:

The Council of Graduate School Programs commends the administration for the implementation of a streamlined yet useful program review and planning process. The Council strongly recommends that the administration demonstrate its commitment to the review and planning process by allocating sufficient monies to support approved unit plans to strengthen existing programs and implement new initiatives.

This motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Dr. Penckofer asked that the Council begin discussion of on-line and distance learning at the graduate level.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.