

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM # 995

DATE: 23, January 2019

TIME: 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: Museum Building, Graduate School Conference Room #410,

MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Farris, Y. Chen, M. Levay, R. Hale, S. Tavernier, R. Lindbeck,
S. Mousavinezhad, T. Collum, Murphy; K. Marsh, K. Scott, A. Eakins

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: D.Xu

GUESTS: Student Appeal [REDACTED] @ 3:00
Shauna Smith (via zoom) & Chris Sanford @ 3:30

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Dean's Remarks

Karen Wilson Scott serving as Interim Dean. Council Members has been asked to serve as the committee for the Dean Search. All agreed.

Proposed Change in Graduate Admissions Requirements-
(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve- All in favor

Update on Mindfulness Certificate- Laura Woodworth Ney has addressed the Councils concerns with Rex. We are awaiting a response from them.

II. MINUTES

Memorandum #994

(MSC 7y, 0n, 2ab) Motion to Approve- All in favor

Corrections: K. Marsh, G. Murphy were absent

III. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Student Appeal [REDACTED]- SLP

(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to sustain the dismissal

Encourage the department to look to their policies and procedures within their handbooks to improve their communication with the students. Add a third committee member.

Protocol today is that you will have 15 minutes to present your case. The council will ask questions after. You can have them ask questions during as well. Student was accompanied by her father. Shauna is the academic advisor for [REDACTED].

B. CP-COAL- Global Studies and Languages- Certificate for Spanish HP

(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve

Discussion: Add the four hundred level course. Title that indicates what the topic is. For instance the 5500 level courses. Typo with 5560 course.

C. CP-CRCS- Communication Science Disorder- 2018 CSD

(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve

D. FA- COAL-Jennifer McDonald

(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve

E. FA- COHP-Char Byington

(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve

- F. FA- COSE- Farshad A. Dailami
Previously Submitted on 14, November 2018, Memorandum # 992
“Motion to Table – Council needs clarification. What from the Full Graduate Faculty Scholarship criteria do they meet? How will he be serving in MS and PhD committees, as his highest degree held is a MS in Electrical Engineering?”
(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve
Discussion:
Candidate does not have a terminal degree. Notation that the candidate may not serve on the committees of doctoral student.
- G. FA- CRCS- David Wood
(MSC 0y, 9n, 0ab) Motion to Approve – all in favor
Discussion: For further, only graduate faculty can vote on candidates for graduate faculty. Note that an adhoc form is required for faculty to teach courses if they have not yet received Graduate Faculty status. Make a case or a claim that the faculty has met the requirements
- H. FA- CRCS- Nancy Cheadle-Winberg
(MSC 0y, 9n, 0ab) Motion to Approve – all in favor
Discussion: For further, only graduate faculty can vote on candidates for graduate faculty. Note that an adhoc form is required for faculty to teach courses if they have not yet received Graduate Faculty status. Make a case or a claim that the faculty has met the requirements
- I. FF- COB- Iris Buder
(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve- all in favor
- J. FF- CON- Christine (Tina) Mladenka
(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to Approve- all in favor
- K. OI- Dismissal Appeal Draft
- L. OI- Grade Appeal Draft
(MSC 9y, 0n, 0ab) Motion to enforce current Policy – allowing exceptions with appeal process that includes 1 quarter of the credits by the Graduate School
Students have asked for anywhere from 24-30 credit hours to be waived and considered part of their program of study. In order to accommodate students and auditors, we discussed that the students take final exams of the courses as a measure for assessing their knowledge in the courses. We wanted to bring this topic to the council for further discussions. Courses that doesn't not have a final exam, students would need to write a final paper. Some faculty have noted feeling pressured into exempting students from taking the classes. Most of these courses are courses that students took at ISU. Is there a clock that stops when a student is on medical leave? This is an exception that the Graduate School can make but we have not seen that happen often. Exceptions should have an Appeal process. Most masters are around 30 or 36-40 credit hours. How do we create a process that doesn't make the faculty feel pressured to making these decisions? Having the council review the appeal would eliminate that possibility. Doctoral students have to finish within 5 years of completing their comps.
- M. OI- Graduate School Dean Search (Tracy & Amanda will exit prior to discussion)

IV. NEXT MEETING:
Wednesday February 06, 2019

V. OTHER NOTES OR INFORMATION:
CP- Curriculum Proposal
FA- Faculty Nominations, Allied
FF- Faculty Nominations, Full
OI- Other Items

Council will move to conducting faculty nominations online. Online Voting will commence prior to schedule council meetings. Items that are not clear and require additional discussions will be placed on the agenda of the next schedule council meeting.