IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL

Minutes #1055

**DATE:** 20 SEPT 2023

**TIME:** 3:00-5:00pm

**PLACE:** Museum Building, Graduate School Conference Room #410 and Zoom Members

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dani Moffit, Saryu Sharma, Howard Gauthier, Karl Geisler, Maria Wong, David Pearson, Danny Xu, Amir Ali, Carmen Febles, Juliette Bedard

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Saryu Sharma (arrived at 3:19 pm)

**CHAIR:** Tracy Collum

**EX-OFFICIO PRESENT:** Anna Siddoway

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Brian Volk

# ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Book Drive: The Graduate School is in its 4th annual year of the book drive. It is for kids in kindergarten through 4th grade students. Collect books from across the community to hand out to all the elementary schools in Pocatello, charter, public, and private. The book drive focuses on adding diverse languages, ethnicities, characters, and authors to their libraries. We are looking to get over 1,000 books this year. The book drive will end at the end of October so they can be delivered in November. This will be promoted over social media
2. 3 Minute Thesis: This will be held on November 9 in the evening. This is a competition that our Graduate students conduct every year. We have 25-30 students compete yearly for a $2000 prize. We started submission opening this past Monday, September 18. Students have 3 weeks to get their abstract into the graduate school so we can select who will be participating and get them some practice runs in. There will be reminders pushed out to students in our weekly emails. All graduate students, online or in person, are eligible. They do not have to be doing a thesis or dissertation, they can do a capstone or major project. They do not have to be completed with their thesis, dissertation, capstone, or project to participate. It will be held in the Blackbox Theater.
3. Late Night Friday: The next late night will be on October 6 at Off the Rails from 7-9. If anyone is interested in coming and socializing with graduate students.

**GUESTS:** None

1. VOTING FOR GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 09-06-2023:
   1. *ACTION ITEM:* Motion to Approve minutes by Dani Moffit, 2nd by Howard Gauthier, Unanimous (8y, 0n, 0a).
2. RATIFY ONLINE VOTING OUTCOMES:
   1. *ACTION ITEM:* Motion to Ratify Online Voting by Karl Geisler, 2nd Amir Ali, Unanimous (8y, 0n, 0a).

# OLD BUSINESS:

* 1. Tabled, No Updates.
     + PRC- CoE- TES- MEd Deaf Ed
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 5528 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 5537 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 5559 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 6627 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 6651 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoE- EDHH 6658 Title and Description Change
     + ECC- CoH- CRCS 8020 Change Credit
     + PRC- CoH- CRC Required Course Change:
     + NCP- CoH- COUN 6617 New Course
     + ECC- CAL- ANTH 5535 Forensic Anthropology
     + PRC- CoSE- EAS Add Concentration (Department Heads Need to Confirm Requirements or Additional Proposals are Needed for Each)
     + PRC- CoH- MPH GRE removed, replaced with Proctored Essay

# NEW BUSINESS

* 1. NCP- CoH- DHS 6601 Mindfulness in Health Science: Graduate Council questions if these proposals are needed as there is no difference between a doctorate and master's level course at the graduate level. There also are no exclusion factors in these new course proposals so a student could take the 5000 and 6000 level at the same time, which likely would cause confusion. There is a certificate in mindfulness, but these proposals mention nothing about being included in the curriculum. We will need to know if this is to be part of the mindfulness curriculum and if we really need this as a repeat of the 5000 level courses, then if there will be any exclusions. (Saryu Sharma joined the meeting at 3:19 pm) Saryu Sharma talked with the proposer and determined that additional information is needed. The proposer will be submitting new proposals soon. Saryu suggested that we wait for those new proposals to vote on these current ones. Credit and catalog changes are needed.
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  2. NCP- CoH- DHS 6605 Effects of Mindfulness:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  3. NCP- CoH- DHS 6606 The Mindful Practitioner:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  4. NCP- CoH- DHS 6608 Mindful Self-Compassion:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so item can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  5. NCP- CoH- DHS 6610 Fundamentals of Mindfulness:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  6. NCP- CoH- DHS 6612 Introduction to Yoga Nidra and Mindfulness:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  7. NCP- CoH- DHS 6615 Mindfulness Capstone:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  8. NCP- CoH- DHS 6616 Mindfulness-Based Strengths Practice:
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Table so items 1-8 can be reviewed with additional proposals coming by Saryu Sharma, 2nd Dani Moffit, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  9. ECC- CoH- MPH 6640 Adding Pre-Req MPH 6660: The proposal is missing a “New Course Description” that would be required when adding a pre-requisite. The department must email Tracy and Brian the updated course description.
     + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Approve, with cavoite that the department emails Tracy and Brian the new Course Description, by Dave Pearson, 2nd Saryu Sharma, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)
  10. ECC- CAL- ANTH 5590 Remove Course:
      + ACTION ITEM: Motion to Approve by Karl Geisler, 2nd Amir Ali, Unanimous (9y, 0n, 0a)

# FACULTY NOMINATIONS:

* 1. Alicia Mondt - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  2. Chuting Tan - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Allied)
  3. Crystal Kanderis Lane - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  4. Derek Eckman - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  5. Emanuele Zappala - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  6. Erika Coles - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  7. Latician J. Herkshan - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Allied)
  8. Lucie Pelland - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)
  9. Mary Ellen Oesterle - Graduate Faculty Nomination (Full)

# OTHER BUSINESS:

* Tracy Collum stated that 2 years ago, Adam Bradford brought up the faculty full and allied form and criteria. Colleges were having issues getting faculty approved for Graduate Faculty status based on the criteria set by the graduate school. Adam allowed each college to look at creating its own criteria for graduate faculty, which would then be reviewed and approved by the Graduate Council. If approved, nominations would be checked against their college’s criteria and voted on by the Graduate Council. The Graduate Council has seen no proposals from colleges to create their own specific Graduate Faculty criteria. Tracy informed the representative that they still have this option available and encouraged them to speak with their departments about this.
* Amir Ali asked how a department chair would access the graduate faculty nomination form. Tracy directed Amir to where the form is located on the graduate school website, under the graduate council forms link.
* Dave Pearson wants to add a couple of items to the next agenda. One is to discuss the requirement for the defense date prior to term completion of the degree, which has been moved in the last few years. Dave feels that has been detrimental to students and would like to discuss it further. The second is, that Dave would like to discuss Degreeworks further.

1. **NEXT MEETING:** 10/04/2023

# NOTES AND INFORMATION:

* None

1. **ADJOURN**: Motion to Adjourn at 3:39 pm by Dani Moffit, 2nd Carmen Febles, unanimous (9y, 0n. 0a)

# ABBREVIATION KEY:

FA- Faculty Nomination, Allied FF- Faculty Nomination, Full NCP- New Course Proposal NPP- New Program Proposal OI- Other Items

PP- Policy Proposal

PRC- Program Requirements Change Proposal ECC- Existing Course Change

LON- Letter of Notification

\* Items included in Online Voting Endorsement