

## Minutes– Graduate Council Meeting – March 21, 2008

2:00 p.m. – Brookside Room

**Members present: Andy Holder, Jennifer Hunter, Ed Gogol, Bryan Becker, Ken Novak, Oga Ackerly, Mathew Forstater. Also present, Dean MacQuarrie and Nancy Hoover.**

**Excused absences: Chi Lee, Bonita Butner, David Eick, Lindsey Williams**

1. The minutes of February 15, 2008 were approved .
2. Announcements –
  - Dr. MacQuarrie presented a slide show from Southern Georgia about the characteristics of good graduate programs and the Council briefly discussed points presented.
3. Report of Subcommittees on actions taken on pending applications for appointment or reappointment to the Doctoral Faculty and/or Graduate Faculty, and reports on pending discipline-specific criteria. The following actions were reported:

### *Humanities and Arts Subcommittee (Lindsey Williams, Chair)*

The subcommittee approved the following nominations at the levels noted:

**Guy Bailey** (English) – new appointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Jan Tillery** (English) – new appointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Jennifer Phegley** (English) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty

### *Natural and Physical Sciences Subcommittee (Andrew Holder, Chair).*

The subcommittee approved the following nominations at the levels noted:

**Bryan Becker** (Engineering) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Stanley Edlavitch** (Medicine) – new appointment to the adjunct doctoral faculty  
**Vandana Kumar** (Dentistry) – new appointment to the graduate faculty  
**Ganaesh Thiagarjan** (Engineering) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Chuanyi Wang** (Oral Biology) – new appointment to the adjunct doctoral faculty

The subcommittee also considered discipline-specific criteria from Engineering. They felt that the criteria should be returned to the unit for revisions and also determined that similar changes should be made to the criteria from the Computer Science department in the School of Computing and Engineering.

### *Social and Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee (Bonita Butner, Chair)*

The subcommittee approved the following nominations at the levels noted:

**Peter Eaton** (Economics) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Wolfram Elsner** (Economics) - new appointment to the adjunct doctoral faculty  
**Keith Haddock** (Medicine) - reappointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Lynda Payne** (History) - reappointment to the doctoral faculty  
**Georgia Smedley** (Accountancy) – new appointment to the doctoral faculty  
**James Sturgeon** (Economics) - reappointment to the doctoral faculty

### 4. Other Business

The Council discussed having the Provost visit a future meeting and various issues such as support for graduate students, recruitment, and the new budget model, that they would like for her to address.

Meeting adjourned about 3:00pm.