

Graduate Council Meeting
September 9th, 2021 @ 10:00 am
MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - 1002am
2. SFrees - 20-21 - 1st cohort in MSDS and DNP, and launched MFA, 2 new programs through state process - Applied Math, Computer Science - mature set of graduate policies, updating of procedures - budget and structure, GLEX, clarification for onboarding of new programs promoting awareness of cross listing of programs and courses, Dual Degree and Dual Enrollment across programs, progress towards using Connect and 4+1 planning for better tracking
3. ROLE CALL - Aaron Lorenz, Ed Petkus, Karen Norton, Susan Hangen, Susan Gaulden, Chris Romano, Diane Couzens, Scott Frees, Naseem, Connie Crawford, Leigh Keller, Amanda Beecher, Fernanda Papalia, Kathy Burke, Eddie Saiff, Kathy Stathis, Beth Walkley,
4. Approval of 5/13/21 minutes
 - 4.1. Motion - E Saiff
 - 4.2. Seconded - L Keller
 - 4.3. Approved - ALL
5. Nominations for Chair and Secretary
 - 5.1. Scott and Anthony
 - 5.2. ALL APPROVED
6. Provost Update
 - 6.1. Room Occupancy and Technology - webex room kits
 - 6.2. Well positioned for a strong graduate year
 - 6.3. Course Mod App successful - positive feedback
 - 6.4. Significant Melt is minimal
 - 6.5. Government opted out of giving us directives, rather gave us guidelines
7. Enrollment Update
 - 7.1. 98% of graduate enrollment goal - dropped 9 graduate students only
 - 7.2. File Freeze is next week
 - 7.3. 588 graduate students at Ramapo
 - 7.4. Realistic goals - right-sizing projections based on all factors and realities
 - 7.5. Pipelines 4+!
 - 7.6. 96% in person registered courses are compliant with the vaccine policy
 - 7.7. SG - Kathy Stathis and Brittany Williams - Goldstein - taking a look at the dependent graduate enrollment policy
 - 7.8. KMB - thank you to Admissions for DNP cohort
8. Graduate Council Bylaws
 - 8.1. SF - reviewing bylaws and revision updates
 - 8.2. AL - used google docs and made updates - document ready for 2nd review
 - 8.3. AL to share with the council for review
9. Graduate Assistant Policy

- 9.1. SG - update on the policy - graduate asst policy approved last month
 - 9.2. SG - compensation is consistent across the board
 - 9.3. SG - 10 or 12 month term; enrolled in 2 courses or at least 6 credits
 - 9.4. SG - student must work 15hrs, and cannot work more than 20hrs per week
 - 9.5. SG - \$8,000 for 10 month; \$10,000 for 12 month
 - 9.6. SG - tuition waiver up to \$4,000 per semester
 - 9.7. EP- process for proposing new positions, budget and approval process
 - 9.8. AD - is a search committee required? YES; advocacy for aiming for approval and posting timeline be secured in February - April timeframe for Summer hiring for Fall start positions
10. New Business
 - 10.1. CR - Americore - change builder position - open to graduate students and WECARE program - will send out to directors for promotion
 - 10.2. AD - Thank you
11. ADJOURNMENT
 - 11.1. Motion - E. Saiff
 - 11.2. ALL IN FAVOR _ AYE