The University of Akron  
Minutes of Graduate Council  
January 26, 2015


Guests in attendance: H. Blake and M. Tausig

GC Members Absent with Notice: R. Otterstetter, R. Ramsier, and P. Thomson

GC Members Absent: S. Blessing and A. Thomas

Call to Order

J. Goodell called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

H. Blake recorded the attendance of those present.

Approval of Minutes

H. Sterns made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2014 meeting. P. Allen seconded the motion. Minutes of the December 8 meeting were approved without dissent.

Committee Reports and Referrals


Graduate Faculty Membership Committee – F. Moore presented a log of two graduate faculty applications as reviewed by the committee. The committee found no issues with either of the applications and rendered unanimous approval. Approved by Council.

David Gordon  
Gang Zhao

Student Policy Committee – R. Willits stated that the survey related to English Language Proficiency was sent to the graduate directors. Deadline for completion of the survey is February 1. Results of the survey will be provided at the next Graduate Council meeting on February 9.

Comments – M. Tausig

M. Tausig informed Council members that the Graduate School has no idea what funding will be for graduate assistantships for the 2015-2016 academic year.

Discussion on the topic of graduate education at the University followed.
M. Tausig suggested an *ad hoc* committee be formed to identify specific concerns that can be presented to the President and Provost. Council members agreed and unanimously approved of establishing such committee. F. Moore will serve as chair of this *ad hoc* committee and asked for a volunteer from each college.

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Graham
Secretary