In attendance:
Amy DeClue, Sarah Diem, Chad Rose, Royce Barondes, Eileen Avery, Gui DeSouza, Sue Boren, Keith Greenwood, Carlos Wexler, Pat Friedrichsen, Jeni Hart, Ashley Siebenaler, Anita Cowan, Azlin Mustapha, Kurt Housh, Johanna Kramer, Deidre Wipke-Tevis, Gary Yao, Jill Kanaley, Laura McCann, Tony Lupo, Xuemin Yan, Alan Parrish
Guests: Laurie Wallace, C.B. Chastain, Terrence Grus, Jay Sexton, Chris Robert, Jana Stern

1. Call to Order.
   Called to order at 3:32pm

2. Acceptance of the agenda.
   Moved to approve - Carlos Wexler
   Seconded - Laura McCann
   Approved

3. Approval of minutes from November 27, 2018 meeting
   Move to approve – Johanna Kramer
   Seconded – Kurt Housh
   Approved

Dr. Wang had a schedule conflict and is unable to attend meetings, Eileen Avery, Arts & Science, has taken that role and is on the Awards committee.

4. Committee Reports:
   a. Academic Affairs – Prof. Sue Boren, chair
      i. Approval of any new course requests
         1. For review go to https://nextcatalog.missouri.edu/courseadmin/
            (when you log in look at the AAC approval level on the right)
   Committee has recommended 44 courses for approval and or changes
   Approved – unanimously
   Laura McCann raised the issue of proliferation of courses, how it might be addressed and Senate’s role in that. Keith Greenwood indicated it would be put on the agenda for a future meeting.
ii. New Programs and Program Changes:

1. Certificate proposal: Graduate online certificate in veterinary science. Presentation by Dr. Laurie Wallace and Dr. C.B. Chastain, College of Veterinary Medicine.

   Dr. Laurie Wallace and Dr. Chastain presented on their proposal for an online certificate. (Proposal is attached below) Tabled for vote at the February meeting. Gui DeSouza asked how practical lab-oriented courses are incorporated in the online program. Dr. Wallace explained that students generally are currently employed full time and are working in the profession when they apply for the program. They work with the employers closely so the students are able to get the experience.

   Johanna Kramer asked how the certificate interacts with the master’s degree done at the same time. Dr. Wallace indicated the master’s degree takes 30 hours and allows years to complete. After 15 hours, students can apply for the certificate. The hours/classes taken towards a degree are the same for the certificate.


   Dr. Jay Sexton presented on the Kinder Institute’s proposal for the Atlantic History and Politics MA. (Proposal attached below) Tabled for a vote at the February meeting. Laura McCann asked whether the program is based on personal relationships and what would happen if Dr. Sexton were to leave MU.

   Dr. Sexton replied that the start of the program is based on relationships and work is being done to establish an institutional relationship so program would continue even if faculty left.

   Jeni Hart asked whether an MOU is in the works? Dr. Sexton replied that there is more work to be done on the MOU, much of which will happen over spring break.

   Amy DeClue asked Dr. Sexton to walk through the logistics of the program, such as start dates, credit hours, etc.

   Dr. Sexton explained it starts in England mid to late July and runs about 3 1/2 weeks. Then students return to campus for the start of fall classes. They will receive 9 credit hours in England, with a core class and then outsourced for tutorials. When they return to campus and take their regular 2 semesters they will be required to take a political science class and a graduate history course.

Chris Robert and Jana Stern presented their proposal for a MS in Business (Stackable Certificates. (Please find the proposal attached below) Tabled for a vote at February meeting

Deidre Wipke-Tevis asked whether students were required to apply for the master’s program or whether they can just apply for the certificate. Dr. Roberts indicated students can apply for just the certificate

4. Degree name changes: Ancient Mediterranean Studies
Proposal is attached below. Committee recommends approval.
Proposal is approved - unanimously
   b. Policy subcommittee – Prof. Amy DeClue, chair

Nothing to report
   c. Awards – Prof. Johanna Kramer, chair.

First round of awards have been decided.
   Distinguished PhD dissertation award – Angela Haeny, Psychological Sciences
   Distinguished MA thesis award – Kelsey Irvin, Psychological Sciences
   Faculty mentor award – Tim Vos, Journalism

There were approximately 20 PhD dissertation award, 9 MA Thesis and 10 Faculty mentor award nominations

5. Report: Office of Graduate Studies – Prof. Jeni Hart, Associate Vice chancellor for Graduate Studies and Associate Vice Provost for Advanced Studies.
   a. Proposal to expand options for English Proficiency Examinations

Terrence Grus presented the proposal to add more options for English Proficiency testing (Proposal is attached below)

Jeni Hart announced the Office of Graduate Studies has officially changed to the Graduate School.

Jeni Hart introduced a topic for further discussion regarding GPA requirements for Accelerated degree programs compared to dual enrollment. Currently the required GPA’s are different for each program. Why is there a discrepancy? This does affect student eligibility for financial aid. Is this something that the GFS would like to discuss/change?

Currently accepting applications to present at the creative activities forum.
GPC is hosting the NAGPS conference April 26 to the 28, 2019
GPC is offering a new travel award for Graduate students attending conferences, the maximum awarded is 200.00.
Gold Chalk award nominations are currently being accepted.

7. Resolutions.
   None

8. Adjournment.
   Motion to adjourn – Gui DeSouza
   Seconded – Carlos Wexler