DATE: Wednesday, November 3, 2021

**TIME: 1:30 PM** 

LOCATION: 256-J Student Union (Career Center Classroom)

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LSU GRADUATE COUNCIL

## **MEETING MINUTES**

# **ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT: Seifried, Spivak, Aghazadeh, Giger, Greckhamer, Grove, Husseneder, Long, Mitchell,

Piccoli, Porter, Rohli, Wang, Wilks, Wu, Bach, Spencer, & Wicks

**ABSENT:** Holton.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Seifried called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The date of the next meeting was incorrect in the October meeting minutes. Graduate Council members voted to approve the October meeting minutes with the correct date.

### **REPORTS**

**CHAIR'S REPORT:** Seifried thanks Long & Rohli for joining the Graduate Faculty committee. He reported the data collected about graduate faculty policies.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL'S REPORT:** Spencer thanked the Promotion & Tenure committee for completing an off-cycle case review. Spencer gave an update on the Grad School's open positions. There is an offer out for the executive assistant position and the search committee is interviewing candidates for the Associate Dean position. He is currently reviewing the recently vacated Business Manager position. There's temporary support in place, but he expects to announce the vacancy in January 2022. Starting December 1, the Office of Strategic Initiatives staff will merge under the umbrella of the Graduate School.

Spencer revisited an earlier discussion a committee's review of the graduate faculty status of a faculty member in the AgCenter. After a lengthy discussion, Spencer asked members to let him know their final thoughts on the topic.

Academic Affairs' Report: No report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**CURRICULUM CHANGE- CONCENTRATION IN MOLECULAR NUTRITION (NFS- MS & PHD):** Professor Georgianna Tuuri spoke to members about proposed changes to both concentrations. She provided sufficient background information about both concentrations. Two courses are being added to replace two courses that were removed.

Aghazadeh moved to approve, Spivak seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. . Wang moved to approve the proposal as written, Wu seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

**STEPPING BLOCKS SOFTWARE PRESENTATION:** Morgan Brunet & Travis Edwards gave a brief demonstration of Stepping Blocks, alumni database recently purchased by the Grad School.

### Meeting Adjourned at 2:30 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, Dec 1 at 1:30 pm in 256-J Student Union (Career Ctr Classroom).



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