

University Council Minutes
February 19, 2007
3:00 – 5:00 PM
1045 Pamplin Hall

Present: Charles Steger (Presiding), Jeb Stewart for Erv Blythe, Jack Finney for Lay Nam Chang, Jack Davis, Karen DePauw, Jody Thompson for Vice President for Multicultural Affairs, Angela Hayes for Elizabeth Flanagan, David Ford, Zenobia Hikes, Don Kenney for Eileen Hitchingham, Michael Kelly, Kevin McDonald, Mark McNamee, Jerry Niles, Kim O'Rourke, Dwight Shelton, Judy Alford, Jan Helge Bøhn, François Elvinger, Carlos Evia, Valerie Hardcastle, Frances Keene, Karen Roberto, Tom Walker, Bob Denton, Sam Easterling, Ken Eriksson, Richard Goff, Hardus Odendaal, Fabrice Teulon, Mark Anderson, John Browder, Joe Eska, Leon Geyer, Muzzo Uysal, Jean Brickey, Delbert Jones, Teresa Lyons, Louellen Sharp, Lori Anne Sheppard, Mary Alice Schaeffer for Betsey Waterman, Ed Lener, Therese Lovegreen, Jonathan McCloud, Ed McPherson, Richard Shingles, Laura Freeman, Jory Ruscio, and Kerry Redican

Absent with notice: John Dooley, James Hyatt, and Tom Tillar

Absent without notice: Richard Benson, Brad Fenwick, Sharron Quisenberry, Gerhardt Schurig, Richard Sorensen, Sumeet Bagai, Gene Egger, Kamal Rojiani, Gene Brown, Carolyn Copenheaver, Karen Inzana, Chris Thomas, Donna Hamm, Duane Rollins, Antoinette Stroter, Jen Crook, Vik Narayan, Marc Saint Raymond, Sarah Saxton, and Ryan Smith

Guests: Teresa Wright and Richard Shryock

Dr. Charles Steger called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion carried.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of February 5, 2007

Dr. Steger noted that these minutes were voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

3. New Business

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution CGSP 2006-07C
Resolution for Establishment of a Master of Science in
Biomedical Technology Development and Management

Dr. François Elvinger made a motion to waive the first reading for this resolution, and the motion was seconded. Dr. Elvinger explained that this program has been established in collaboration with Georgetown University. Students are currently enrolled in the appropriate courses that can be applied to the degree program. If approved by University Council, this resolution will be presented for approval to the Board of Visitors in March, and then the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV). Dr. Steger explained that $\frac{3}{4}$ affirmative vote of the membership present is required to waive the first reading. A vote was taken and the motion to waive the first

reading passed unanimously. A motion was then made and seconded to adopt the resolution. The resolution was passed.

4. Old Business

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution CGSP 2006-07B
Resolution for Establishment of a Master of Arts Degree in
Foreign Languages, Cultures and Literatures

Dr. François Elvinger presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded and the resolution was passed.

5. Announcement of Approval and Posting of Commission Minutes

These minutes have been voted on electronically and will be posted on the University web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>). Note that the purpose of voting on Commission minutes is to accept them for filing. University Council By-laws require that policy items be brought forward in resolution form for University Council action.

- Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity
January 29, 2007
- Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
January 17, 2007

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Steger adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.