



Date: Wednesday, November 10th, 2021

Location: WebEx

Subject: Executive Committee (EC) of The Graduate School meeting minutes

Attendees: Mary Anne Amalaradjou, Kristin Bott, Abigail Campbell (Ex-Officio -- Secretary), Mitchell Green, Kent Holsinger (Ex-Officio, Chair), Barbara Kream (Ex-Officio), Charles Mahoney, Betsy McCoach, Kathy Segerson (Ex-Officio), Judith Thorpe, Penny Vlahos, Etan Markus

Absent:

Guests: Jane Gordon, Arpita Kurdekar

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1. Agenda item number one (1) – Call to order. The regular meeting of the Executive Committee for November 10th, 2021 was called to order at 3:03 pm.
 2. Agenda item number two (2) – Presented for consideration and voting – Approval of the minutes. Dean Kent Holsinger introduced the minutes of the October 20, 2021 meeting of the Executive Committee. There was a motion offered to accept the minutes, which was seconded, and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. **Agenda item number two (2) was passed unanimously.**
 3. Announcements:
 - a. The EC had requested that the GPAR for the new MS in Data Science be sent back for approval through departments teaching core courses for the new program. This approval has now been received and the proposal has been forwarded to the Provost's office.
 - b. The EC had requested that Marine Sciences discuss internally whether they wanted to request entrepreneurial status for their proposed 4+1 program and some of the details of how the program would work. They have now indicated that their 4 + 1 will not be asking for entrepreneurship status and the program requirements have been clarified to allow for credit sharing. The proposals will now come before the EC again for approval.
 4. Agenda item number four (4) – Presented for consideration and voting – *21-GORD-BWUQQ4 (change in name of MA program) and 21-CORD-27Y5DK (change in name of certificate)*. The Department voted to change the names for both the Masters and certificates from IREP to IIREP, where the extra I is for "intersectional", which is intended to include a reference to "gender" in

the title. This is only a change in name; there is no change in the content of the programs. Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the proposal (7 In favor; 0 opposed).

Agenda item number four (4) was approved unanimously.

5. Agenda item number five (5) - Presented for consideration and voting – **Application of Arpita Kurdekar to the Integrative Studies PhD program.** Arpita Kurdekar, who is currently a PhD student in mechanical engineering, presented a research proposal from her application for the PhD program in Integrative Studies that includes engineering, art, and education. Following the presentation, the EC discussed the application and asked the Dean to relay to the candidates the questions/concerns that it would like to see addressed before making an admission decision. Discussion Item: Dean Holsinger solicited input from the EC on a possible new collaboration between the MS in Kinesiology and Hong Kong Baptist University, under which students would be allowed to transfer 12 credits rather than the usual limit of six. The EC conveyed some concerns about allowing the additional transfer credits.
6. Dean Kent Holsinger offered a motion for adjournment which was seconded and the motion was adopted in favor by all members present. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.
7. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for **January 19th, 2021 via Webex.**