

GRADUATE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting # 4

Thursday, November 7, 2019 EMS E371 – 2:00 p.m.

Present: Professors CT. Law, X. Ma, E. Munson (ex officio), X. Qin, J. Rammer, I. Suzuki (chair), B. Warras (Recording Secretary)

Absent: K. Pillai

Guest(s): K. Sobolev, S. Kosmatka

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

- I. Automatic Consent Business – Minutes from October 17, 2019 – Approved as written
- II. Old Business –
Materials and Structures Certificate Program – MSCP
Explanation/Discussion (K. Sobolev & S. Kosmatka)
 - Better prepare Structural Engineering students for Industry
 - Encourage graduate students to complete a degree
 - Consider it a one year / 15 credit certificate / post – bachelors
 - Certificate is a “specialty program” w/o Thesis
 - ASCE is also pushing for better preparation
 - Motion/Second (Patrick/Law) to approve the Materials & Structures Certificate proposal.
Motion passes. Approved.
- III. New Business – None
- IV. Announcements - (E, Munson) Overall credit hours & enrollment is down except in CS; departments should consider refusing PhD applicants who cannot be supported.
- V. Adjournment – 2:40 p.m. (Next meeting November 21 – pending agenda items)

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Warras, Recording Secretary