

The University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Graduate Faculty Committee (GFC)

Monday, September 19, 2022

3 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

Teleconference via Teams

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by John Berges, Chair.

II. Roll Call

Present: (Committee Members): Sara Benesh, John Berges, Anne Bonds, Suzanne Boyd, Noelle Chesley, Stephen Cobb, Craig Guilbault, Teresa Johnson, Carol Klingbeil, Michael Newman, Danielle Romain Dagenhardt, Nicki Roman, Erin Ruppel, Aaron Schutz, Leigh Wallace

(Non-Committee Members): Alessandra Gillen, Mark Harris (*Ex officio*), Vickie Moerchen (*Ex officio*)

Absent: Tracy Boyer, Erin Fox (*Ex officio*), Erin Winkler

Guests: Dana Baldwin, Bonnie Klein-Tasman

III. Announcements

a. None.

IV. Automatic Consent

The following item was approved as distributed:

a. Minutes of the Graduate Faculty Committee Meeting of May 2, 2022

V. Continuing Business

a. None

VI. New Business

a. Election of 2022-23 GFC Vice Chair

i. Discussion. Noelle Chesley moved to elect Erin Ruppel as 2022-23 Vice Chair. Carol Klingbeil seconded. Ruppel accepted the nomination, agreed to serve, and was unanimously elected as Vice Chair.

b. Appointment of Representatives for Standing Committees

i. Physical Environment Committee

1. Carol Klingbeil volunteered to be a representative.

ii. Academic Planning and Budget Committee

1. Suzanne Boyd volunteered to be a representative.

iii. Academic Policy Committee

1. Danielle Romain Dagenhardt volunteered to be a representative.

iv. Research Policy and Advisory Committee

1. Sara Benesh volunteered to be a representative.
- v. Aaron Schutz moved to appoint the above GFC members to be representatives on the respective committees. Anne Bonds seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Reports

- a. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School
 - i. Mark Harris reviewed the new organizational chart for the Graduate School and Office of Research.
- b. Chair's Report
 - i. John Berges discussed the GFC English Proficiency Working Group that formed in 2021-22. As a few people have since left, recruitment is continuing for 2022-23. Once the group reconvenes, they will bring any issues back to GFC.
 - ii. Bonnie Klein-Tasman discussed the Racial Justice and Equity Graduate Student Advisory Group. The group of fellowship-supported students will attend to considerations particularly present for BIPOC graduate students.
 - iii. Berges discussed reviewing the coordinated and dual degree policies this academic year.
 - iv. Berges discussed an issue from Nigel Rothfels to examine the requirement that PhD dissertations are published in ProQuest.
 - v. Vickie Moerchen discussed evaluating the current residency requirements for PhD students.

VIII. Other Business

- a. Craig Guilbault brought up that the UWM schedule shifted by a half hour, but the GFC meeting time did not shift. Discussion.

IX. Adjournment

- a. The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.