

**University of North Texas Health Science Center
Graduate Council Meeting
April 14, 2011**

RECORDING: Carla J. Lee
PRESIDING: Jamboor K. Vishwanatha

PRESENT: Vishwanatha, Gwartz, Schetz, Berg, Basu, Clark, Cunningham, Prokai, Reeves, Siede, Sumien, Poteet, Daudt, Kemp

ABSENT: Kaman, Warren, Fulda, Cruser, Planz, Stille, Smith

GUESTS: Tatjana Talamantes, Jacques Nguyen

MEETING TIME: 3:03 – 4:10 PM

MEETING LOCATION: EAD-810

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion/Conclusion	Action/Recommendation	Responsible Person(s)
GSA Officers	Dr. Vishwanatha thanked Mr. Poteet and Mr. Daudt for their service as 2010-11 GSA President and Vice President, respectively. He introduced Jacques Nguyen, the 2011-12 GSA President and Tatjana Talamantes, the 2011-12 GSA Vice President.	None	
Approval of January 2011 Meeting Minutes	Dr. Berg moved to approve the March 2011 meeting minutes. Dr. Cunningham seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Post to GSBS website.	Ms. Lee
Application Tracking	Ms. Lee updated the council regarding the progress of the admissions committees. She distributed data on the Fall 2011 applicant pool	No action required.	
Timing of Oral Qualifying Exam	Dr. Berg presented issues related to the timing of the oral qualifying examination and Grant Writing (BMSC 6310). It was suggested that all students take qualifying exam at the end of their second fall or early in the second spring semesters, start work on BMSC 6310 immediately after finishing the qualifying exam, register for and complete BMSC 6310 in their second summer.	Advisors were tasked with reviewing the proposal within their departments to discuss at the next Graduate Council Meeting. Add agenda item to May agenda	Advisors Ms. Lee
Core Revisions	Dr. Vishwanatha asked for an update on the traditional core revisions. Dr. Clark clarified that the core remains two courses for the fall semester. Dr. Vishwanatha requested a meeting with the revision committee.	Call committee meeting with Dr. Vishwanatha After fall teaching faculty are identified, hold workshop on team-based learning	Dr. Clark Dr. Vishwanatha

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GSA Update	Mr. Poteet announced several upcoming events sponsored by the Graduate Student Association: 1) Relay for Life, April 15 2) Alternative Career Symposium, Dr. Clifford Mintz, Apr 20 3) Mixer at Capital Bar following the GSBS Awards Ceremony, May 6	None	None
Sigma Xi Nominations	Dr. Berg moved to approve the submission of nominees to Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society. Dr. Basu seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Submit nominee applications to Sigma Xi	Ms. Lee
Selection of Dean's Awards for Excellence	Council members voted by ballot to select Sushmita Purkayastha as the recipient of the Dean's Award for Excellence in Academics. Pabak Sarkar was selected by ballot as the recipient of the Dean's Award for Excellence in Research.	Submit nomination forms for the President's Award (Academics) and the Chancellor's Award (Research)	Ms. Lee
Graduate Student Association	Mr. Poteet announced that the GSA will be hosting the following events: - fundraiser on 3/24/11 at Dos Gringos benefiting the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life - RAD after party at the Wild Rooster on 4/1/11. - Dr. Minz's presentation on alternate careers in science on 4/20/11 at noon in Luibel Auditorium		
Announcements	- Dean's Toast, Tuesday, April 19, Atrium, 5:00 pm - GSBS Awards Program, 5/6/11, 5:00 pm, MET Auditorium - Graduate Council meets the second Thursday of every month unless otherwise notified. The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 3:00 pm, EAD-810 - Commencement Exercises, Saturday, May 14, 3:00 pm, TCU's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum		