



Graduate Council Committee

Wednesday, April 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Via Microsoft Teams @ 12:00 pm

Members Present:

Wall College of Business – Michael Latta, Olajumoke Awe
Spadoni College of Education –Richard Costner, Austin Hitt
Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts –Joe Oestreich, Christina Smith (substitute for Phillip Whalen)
College of Science –Robert Sheehan (substitute for Scott Parker), Erin Hackett
Dean of the College of Graduate Studies & Research – Rob Young
Faculty Senate –
Registrar’s Office –Stacy Wyeth
Library Services – Eric Resnis

Absent:

Roi Gurka
Scott Parker
Phillip Whalen

Guests:

Jean French
Jessica Handy
Till Hanebuth
Colleen McGlone
Mark Mitchell
Shari Ostrich
Jamia Richmond
Emma Savage-Davis
Richard Viso
Matthew White
David Yancey

I. Call to Order and approval of minutes

Chairman Young called to order the virtual Graduate Council meeting held via Microsoft Teams. Approval of the April 08, 2020 minutes was moved by Michael Latta and seconded by Joe Oestreich. The minutes were approved.

II. Chair Report: none

III. Consent Agenda: none

IV. Old Business: none

V. New Business:

A. Consideration/Approval of white paper: The Future of Graduate Studies at CCU

- The motion to approve the document was made by Rob Sheehan and seconded by Michael Latta.
- Chairman Young thanked the Ad Hoc report committee for their dedicated and hard work and opened the floor for discussion and comment.
- Following discussion on components of the margin calculations, a motion was made by Erin Hackett and seconded by Rob Sheehan to add the following paragraph to the section on Recommended Actions for Existing Programs > Recommended Cost-Cutting Measures and Efficiencies:

“3. Adjustments to academic margin calculations

We recommend the calculation of academic margins should be expanded to include items such as savings from GA utilization, external funding, indirect costs, or other contributions to program revenue or reductions in program expenses. The model should evolve over time as additional information becomes available and should be only one tool of many in assessing the value of graduate programs.”

The motion for the addition passed unanimously.

- The addition above was the only suggested change to the report. The Council then voted on the amended report and it was approved unanimously (see attachment 1: final approved report).

A motion to adjourn was made by Erin Hackett and seconded by Olajumoke Awe and the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm.