BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2012 MEETING OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL

PLACE: Couper Administrative Building - Room148

PRESIDING: Nancy E. Stamp, Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School

MEMBERS: David Bartine, Subimal Chatterjee, Junghyun Cho, Laura Collins, Kristina Lambright, Mary Muscari, Thomas O'Brien, Paul Parker, Steven Tammariello, Libby Tucker, Mohammed Younis

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS: Elizabeth Brown, Stephen Gilje, Florence Margai

GUEST:

EXCUSED: Chuck Nelson, Nicholas Kladis, Omuwunmi Sadik

ABSENT: Cassandra Bransford, George Catalano, Gerald Kutcher, Les Lander, Susan Lu, Tongshu Ma, Cory Martin, Benita Roth, Linda Wong

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Provost and Dean Nancy Stamp called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

II. VIEWING OF THE NEWLY RELEASED VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR VIDEO

III. MINUTES:

The minutes of the September 24, 2012 Graduate Council Meeting were approved as written.

IV. COMMITTEES

Academic Standards Committee This committee has not met.

Advisory Committee on Scholarship and Research

The committee will meet in December.

Budget Advisory Committee This committee has not met.

Clark Fellowship Committee This committee has not met.

Curriculum Committee

This committee reviewed 10 course proposals: BME 523, BME 555, AAAS 525, AAAS 580, AAAS 581, AAAS 582, AAAS 583, AAAS 584, SPED 580Z, GRD 575. Regarding BME 555: it was noted that the course work may not be rigorous enough for the graduate level study, that the requirements are not clear enough to determine the work load. The proposal for BME 555 was modified by the department, and the Graduate School will request a copy of that revision for evaluation. AAAS 525: there will be a recommended amendment to

discontinue offering this course with a 300 level course. All other courses were approved by the Council.

Student Affairs Committee This committee has not met.

Strategic Planning Committee This committee met on September 17th 2012.

V. NEW BUSINESS

I. Road Map updates from Committee members

Florence Margai - Student Success Team

- Presented a handout detailing a pyramid with three big ideas to define student success
    - Academic Advising and Support Systems
    - Knowledge Communities
    - Foundational and Problem Based Learning

Tom O'Brien, Advancing Learning Committee.

- Approaching the stage of preparing 2 page proposals for the concrete ideas to be proposed
- Five Subcommittees: Fostering a faculty culture that facilitates teaching and professional development, Teaching innovations in conventional courses, Innovations in distance education, Curriculum issues for the 21st century, Research and informed assessments.
- Finishing before the end of the semester

Subimal Chatterjee, Rankings and Reputation

- Shared the six super themes as defined by the President. Commonalities between the committees and subcommittees are emerging through the super themes.
- Identifying the 2 person teams to write the 2 page proposals.
- Committee focuses on the Brand, Measurements and Marketing of the University
- Will suggest possible merging with SUNY Upstate as a BIG idea

Paul Parker, Creative Activities and Research

- Committee has reduced in size to less than 50% with no students remaining
- Five sub groups working in the Three I proposals
- Regarding PhD programs, ensuring that there are sufficient resources for the PhD students for successful research
- Mentoring for student, faculty and staff
- Library, ITS, Research Administration, and New Faculty resources

Libby Tucker, Global Engagement

- Five subcommittees including Visiting Global Scholars. Idea to create a Global Center on campus that puts a Heart in the Brain, locating the Center in the center of the campus. It would be gathering place for all campus wide global activities.
- Like to start a Global Distinguished Professor program
- Partnerships with business people

II. Graduate Growth Initiative (GGI)

- Nancy Stamp described funding for GGI. 12 proposals came in during the summer. 5 programs were funded: Biomedical Anthropology MS expansion, Electrical and Computer Engineering & Computer Science for new Cyber Security MS, Electrical and Computer Engineering Dept. for expansion of Master of Engineering program, new Health Systems Engineering MS in Systems Science and Industrial Engineering Dept., track in Taxation for MS Accounting in School of Management

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 after motion by S. Chatterjee and seconded by S. Gilge.

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Minutes recorded by Kathleen Hart,
Secretary to the Vice Provost and Dean
of the Graduate School