MINUTES OF THE March 26, 2018 MEETING OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL

PLACE: Couper Administration Building – Room 148

PRESIDING: Aondover Tarhule, Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School

MEMBERS: Yu Chen, Paul Chiarot, Anne Clark, Shelley Dionne, Mohammad Khasawneh, Adam Laats, Elizabeth Mellin, Weiyi Meng, Andreas Pape, Xingye Qiao, Pamela Smart, Christine Sylvester, Aondover Tarhule, Libby Tucker, Nathan Tunev

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS: Sarah Lam

EXCUSED/ABSENT: Bay-Ami Bar On, Timothy Barnes, Tamara Brown (GSO), Subimal Chatterjee, Jonathan Christiansen, Mary Beth Curtin, Raviraj Deshmukh (GSO) Heather DeHaan, Robery Guay, Yetrib Hathout, Matt Johnson, Paul Parker, Mark Poliks, Christine Sylvester (GSO), Leigh Wheeler, Shengsheng Zhou (GSO)

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Dean Tarhule called the meeting to order at 3:05pm

II. MINUTES

The minutes from the February 26, 2018 were approved as written.

III. Report from Committees

Curriculum Committee – Associate Dean Sarah Lam reported that the Committee met on March 19, 2018. The Committee approved six (6) course proposals. SOC 580 Prisoners Rights Activism and the State; EECE 524 Wavelet Transforms and Compressive Sensing; BME 543 Quantitative Instrumental Bioanalysis; BME 628 Biomedical Optics; CS 540 Advanced Topics in Object-Oriented Programming; TRIP 582 Topics in Translation Studies. No questions were raised. All six (6) course proposals stand approved.

Associate Dean Lam presented the Program revision in Comprehensive Examination Sequence in Chemistry. Nikolay Dimitrov was on hand to answer questions. A formal vote was taken and the proposal was approved unanimously.

Associate Dean Lam presented four (4) Program Revision Proposals in Nursing. Revision for the MS, Family Nurse Practitioner; Distance Education for MS, Family Nurse Practitioner; Advanced Certificate, Family Nurse Practitioner; Distance Education for Advanced Certificate, Family Nurse Practitioner. Gail Spencer, Mary Muscari, Pamela Stewart Fahs and Dean Mario Ortiz were on hand to answer questions. A formal vote was taken and the proposal was approved unanimously.

Associate Dean Lam presented an LOI for MS Program in Information Systems. Weiyi Meng was on hand to answer questions. The LOI will go onto the next steps.

Academic Standards Committee – Associate Dean Sarah Lam reported the Committee met on March 12, 2018 to discuss the Graduate Faculty representation in Graduate Council. The current representation numbers were reviewed. The Committee considered three different options. The concern from the Committee was keeping the integrity of the Council without making the numbers too large. After much discussion, the Committee recommended adding two more members to Watson for
a total of six members. The ASC will continue to discuss the guidelines for changing GC membership and composition. A formal vote was taken and the change was approved unanimously.

**Advisory Committee for Scholarship and Research** – The Committee meets every week. No update given.

**Student Affairs/Budget Advisory Committee** – This Committee has not met.

**Clark Advisory Committee** – Associate Dean Sarah Lam reported the Committee met on March 7, 2018. There were 17 additional offers made. These are in addition to the initial offers made for a total of 24.

**Strategic Planning Committee** – This committee has not met

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Dean Tarhule updated the Council that the previously proposed Strategic Planning Committee is still in discussion. Consultations are being planned with the TAE committee on Graduate Education quality to develop the framework for discussions. Members will be informed about next steps once those consultations are completed.

Dean Tarhule also announced that applications for the faculty fellow position had been received and would be evaluated soon.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. after a motion by Pam Smart and seconded by Gale Spencer.

Minutes recorded by Patty Gabriel,
Secretary to the Vice Provost and Dean
of the Graduate School