

Senate Council
April 15, 2019

The Senate Council met in regular session at 2:30 pm on Monday, April 15, 2019 in 103 Main Building. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a show of hands unless indicated otherwise.

Senate Council Chair Jennifer Bird-Pollan called the Senate Council (SC) meeting to order at 2:30 pm. The Chair thanked SC members for arriving early for the day's meeting.

1. Minutes from April 8, 2019 and Announcements

The Chair noted that the faculty trustee election was ongoing. Noting that it would be inappropriate to use a listserv to advocate for a particular candidate, she said that unit listservs could be used to encourage faculty to vote.

The SC retreat agenda was under development, although the Chair noted that some items might have to take priority over others, given the number of pending discussion items.

The Chair is involved in initial discussion about allowing new programs to be effective for spring semester, which might ease the curricular rush experienced by those involved in the curricular review process. There is no Senate Rule prohibiting a spring effective date, but rather it would require the Registrar's office to publish a Bulletin for the spring semester. She said she would keep SC members updated.

The Chair said that no comments had been received for the minutes from April 8, 2019. There being **no objections**, the minutes from April 8, 2019 were **approved** as distributed by **unanimous consent**.

Due to the number of guests, the Chair suggested that those present introduce themselves. The Chair said that she received a request to move the "Old Business" item to the end of the agenda, with other proposals from the Senate's Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC). There were no objections to that change.

3. Nominees for Search Committee for College of Social Work Dean

The Chair explained that Provost David Blackwell intended to conduct an internal search for a new dean of the College of Social Work. She asked SC members to deliberate on possible faculty nominees to serve on the search committee and added that the requested turnaround time for a nominee was fairly quick and she was willing to serve as the nominee, unless someone else on SC wished to be the nominee. When discussion came to an end, Cross **moved** to nominate the Chair [Bird-Pollan]. Brion **seconded**. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

4. Degree Recipients

a. May 2019 In Memoriam Degree Recipients

i. College of Engineering Student WS-67

The Chair welcomed Guest Kim Anderson (EN/Chemical and Materials Engineering, associate dean for administrative and academic affairs), who described the request. Grossman **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve College of Engineering student WS-67 as the recipient of an In Memoriam honorary degree, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Cramer **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

ii. College of Engineering Student CS-40

Anderson explained the request. Brion **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve College of Engineering student CS-40 as the recipient of an In Memoriam honorary degree, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Grossman **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

iii. College of Nursing Student CM-63

Guest Joanne Davis (Nursing, assistant dean of students) explained the request. Blonder **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve College of Nursing student CM-63 as the recipient of an In Memoriam honorary degree, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Grossman **seconded**. There were a few comments. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

v. College of Arts and Sciences Student JT-73

Guest Joe Lewis (Arts and Sciences, director of advising) explained the request. Grossman **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve College of Arts and Sciences student JT-73 as the recipient of an In Memoriam honorary degree, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Osterhage **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

The Chair explained that the contact person for the last In Memoriam degree candidate was not yet present, so the item could be taken up when they arrived. There were no objections.

b. May 2019 Degree List

Cramer **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve UK's May 2019 list of candidates for credentials, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Walker **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

c. Early August 2019 Degree List

Grossman **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve UK's early August 2019 list of candidates for credentials, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Cross **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

d. Motions to Amend Previously Adopted Degree Lists

i. August 2018 Degree List: Rescind PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and Bestow PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - School Psychology for Student WW-86

The Chair explained the request. Collett **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC amend the August 2018 degree list for College of Education student WW-86 by rescinding the PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and conferring the PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - School Psychology. Grossman **seconded**. There were a few comments. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

ii. December 2018 Degree List: Rescind PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and Bestow PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - School Psychology for Student RA-38

The Chair explained the request. Grossman **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC amend the December 2018 degree list for College of Education student RA-38 by rescinding the PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and conferring the PhD in Education and

Counseling Psychology - School Psychology. Collett **seconded**. There were no comments. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

iii. May 2017 Degree List: Rescind PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and Bestow PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - School Psychology for Student DM-46

The Chair explained the request. Grossman **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC amend the May 2017 degree list for College of Education student DM-46 by rescinding the PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - Educational Psychology and conferring the PhD in Education and Counseling Psychology - School Psychology. Cramer **seconded**. There were no comments. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

e. Late Addition to May 2018 Degree List (per Senate Rules 5.4.1.1.D.1-2)

i. College of Arts and Sciences Student TK-79

The Chair explained the request. Brion **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC amend the **May 2018** degree list by adding the BA in Sociology for student TK-79 and recommend through the President to the Board of Trustees that the degree be awarded effective May 2018. Grossman **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

5. Committee Reports

a. Senate's Academic Programs Committee (SAPC) – Aaron Cramer, Chair

The Chair suggested that the items be slightly reordered, to accommodate an invited guest. There were no objections to the change.

iii. Proposed New Graduate Certificate in Advanced Materials Characterization ~~(pending receipt of revised proposal)~~

Cramer, chair of the Senate's Academic Programs Committee (SAPC), explained the proposal. There were a few questions of fact. The Chair stated that the **motion** from the SAPC was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new Graduate Certificate in Advanced Materials Characterization, in the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering within the College of Engineering. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

i. Proposed New MS in Data Science

Cramer explained the proposal. There were a few questions of fact. Guests Mirek Truszczynski (EN/Computer Science), Jin Chen (ME/Internal Medicine), and Heather Bush (PbH/Biostatistics) answered questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** was a recommendation to approve, for submission to the Board of Trustees, the establishment of a new MS in Data Science, in the Department of Computer Science within the College of Engineering. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was some debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

ii. Proposed New 3+3: BS Human Health Sciences and DPT Physical Therapy

Cramer explained the proposal. There were a handful of questions of fact; Guest Tony English (HS/Rehabilitation Sciences) responded to questions. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAPC was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new 3+3 Program: BS Human Health Sciences and DPT Physical Therapy within the College of Health Sciences. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

iv. Proposed New Graduate Certificate in Clinical Social Work ~~[pending receipt of revised proposal]~~

Cramer explained the proposal. There were two questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAPC was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new Graduate Certificate in Clinical Social Work, in the College of Social Work. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

v. Proposed New Graduate Certificate in Applied Nutrition and Culinary Medicine ~~[pending receipt of revised proposal]~~

Cramer explained the proposal. There were no questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new Graduate Certificate in Applied Nutrition and Culinary Medicine, in the Department of Pharmacology and Nutritional Sciences within the College of Medicine. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. During debate, after a response from Guest Sarah Police (ME/Pharmacology and Nutritional Sciences) responded to questions of fact, it was determined that the file posted online was not quite the final version and the Chair said that it would be corrected for the Senate meeting. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

vi. Proposed New Undergraduate Certificate in Historic Preservation ~~[pending receipt of revised proposal]~~

Cramer explained the proposal. The Chair noted that the Senate was in the midst of a discussion about allowing the admission of non-degree-seeking students in an undergraduate certificate. Guest Daniel Vivien (DS/Historic Preservation) stated that admission of non-degree students would be welcomed. There were no questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAPC was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new Undergraduate Certificate in Historic Preservation, in the Department of Historic Preservation within the College of Design. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

4. Degree Recipients [continued]

a. May 2019 In Memoriam Degree Recipients [continued]

iv. College of Law Student GJ-69

Guest Douglas Michael (LA, associate dean for academic affairs) explained the request. Cross **moved** that the elected faculty members of SC approve College of Law student GJ-69 as the recipient of an In Memoriam honorary degree, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Collett **seconded**. There were no comments. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

vii. Proposed New Undergraduate Certificate in Financial Planning ~~[pending receipt of revised proposal]~~

Cramer explained the proposal. There were many questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAPC was a recommendation to approve the establishment of a new Undergraduate Certificate in Financial Planning, in the Department of Finance and Quantitative Methods within the Gatton College of Business and Economics. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

2. Old Business

a. Proposed Changes to PhD in Epidemiology and Biostatistics

The Chair reminded SC members about the confusion regarding the PhD changes that occurred during the previous SC meeting. She explained that the proposal under review was indeed the correct version

and that a second program change would be coming forward from the Graduate Council in the near future.

Guest Herman Farrell (FA/Theatre and Dance, chair of Senate's Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC)) explained the proposal. There were a few questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAASC was a recommendation to approve the proposed changes to the PhD in Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

5. Committee Reports [continued]

b. Senate's Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC) – Herman Farrell, Chair

i. Proposed Changes to Graduate School's Transfer of Credit Policies

Farrell explained the proposal. Guest Brian Jackson (ME/Physiology, Graduate School dean) responded to questions. Guest Davy Jones (ME/Toxicology and Cancer Biology, chair of Senate's Rules and Elections Committee (SREC)) also participated in the discussion.

Jones commented that the Graduate School rules and Bulletin had to be approved by the Senate. Farrell responded that the SAASC had thought the Graduate School Bulletin was its own document. As a result, the SAASC did not review any language from the Graduate School Bulletin, although it did review the pertinent language in the *Senate Rules (SRs)*. There were many, many questions of fact. Brion supported retaining the language about transferring credit “into a degree program,” which was stricken in the proposal. In response to a question from Blonder, Jackson explained that the policy for transferring non-UK credits would remain the same (nine credit hours, or 25% of the required credits). The Chair reminded SC members that the SAASC had not reviewed the transfer of credit language from the Graduate School Bulletin so the SAASC did not make any recommendation about changing the Graduate School rules.

Cramer asked about the timing of transfer of credit. Graduate School rules require coursework to have been taken within 10 years – if a student requests a transfer of credit towards the end of their academic work and then requested an extension, could a student use a 10 + years old course towards their degree? Jackson replied that the clock would start from the point of the transfer of credit. There was additional discussion. Grossman suggested changing the language in the first sentence to include post-baccalaureate students as well as those who were enrolled as graduate students but did not complete their degree.

There were no further questions of fact. The Chair said that the **motion** from the SAASC was a recommendation to approve the proposed changes to *[new numbering] SR 4.2.5.2*. Noting that the proposal had a number of moving parts and was complex, the Chair suggested that she would go around the table and ask each SC member to express their thoughts about the proposed changes to *SR 4.2.5.2* (“Postbaccalaureate Student”). After all members had offered their opinions, the Chair opened up the floor for debate.

Debate lasted for quite some time. Some concerns were expressed regarding an expansion to the limit on transfer of graduate credit, while others mostly supported the proposed changes. Grossman **moved** to change the second sentence of the proposed new paragraph {“If the student later decides...”} from a reference to just credit hours to “the courses and total number of UK graduate credit hours eligible for transfer...” Cramer **seconded**. There was no debate. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with five in favor and two abstained.

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Discussion continued. In response to a question from Brion, the Chair said that because the SAASC did not review similar language in the Graduate School Bulletin, the only language being discussed is from the *SRs*. Grossman opined that it was incumbent on the Graduate School to make sure the rules of the Graduate Faculty would be consistent with any changes made to the *SRs*. The Chair called for a vote on the amended motion and the motion passed with one opposed.

As discussion about the *SR* wording wound down, the Chair noted that the matter of the language in the Graduate School Bulletin was not yet resolved. Cramer **moved** that the SC approve the proposed changes to *SR 4.2.5.2* but ask the SAASC to consider proposing similar language for the Graduate School Bulletin. Grossman **seconded**. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

6. Tentative Senate Agenda for April 22, 2019

SC members briefly discussed the tentative Senate agenda and made a few changes. Grossman **moved** to approve the tentative Senate agenda as revised and Brion **seconded**. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Bird-Pollan,
Senate Council Chair

SC members present: Bird-Pollan, Blonder, Brion, Collett, Cramer, Cross, Grossman, Hall, Osterhage, Spear, Tagavi, and Walker.

Invited guests present: Kim Anderson, Matthew Beck, Kalea Benner, Heather Browning, Steve Browning, Heather Bush, Jin Chen, Paul Childs, Joanne Davis, Davy Jones, Joe Lewis, Douglas Michael, Sara Police, Kim Taylor, Mirek Truszczynski, Cynthia Vines, and Daniel Vivian.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on Friday, May 17, 2019.