All actions taken by the Graduate Council will have a twenty-one (21) day faculty protest period except for new courses, course changes, and petitions, which will be considered approved by the Graduate Faculty if no written protest is received in the Graduate College within seven (7) days.

**Present:** Randall Hewes, James Sluss (videoconference), Sherri Irvin, Jennifer Kisamore (videoconference), Mike Biggerstaff, Shane Connelly, Michael Engel, Peter Gade, Eric Heinze, Neil Houser, Tohren Kibbey, Keri Kornelson, Nina Livesey, Hollie Mackey, Patrick McCann, Charles Warnken

**Absent:** Oluwatobi Ajagbe, Susan Burke, Natalie Daugherty, Sanna Pederson, Ken Petersen, Mirelsie Velazquez

**Guests:** June Abbas, Thom Balmer, Deepak Devegowda, Andrew John (HSC), Wesley Long, Ann Riley, Eric Sourie, Sara Vaughan, Cathy Yeaman

**Description of General Business**
- The minutes from the February 6, 2019 council meeting were unanimously approved.

**Announcement**
- Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition results from February 22, 2019
  - First Place: Pratik Samant, Ph.D. student in Biomedical Engineering
  - Runner up and People’s Choice Award: Arianne Hunter, Ph.D. student in Chemistry/Biochemistry
  - Pratik will compete on March 22 in the 3MT® competition at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools, which is the regional affiliate of the Council of Graduate Schools.

**Program Modifications and Proposals**
1. Clinical Mental Health Counseling M.C.M.H.C., new program request, was unanimously approved.
2. Energy E.M.B.A., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
3. Environmental Engineering Ph.D., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
4. Environmental Science Ph.D., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
5. Health and Exercise Science M.S., Sports Data Analytics option, program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
6. Human Resource Studies M.H.R.S., new program request, was tabled for further discussion.
7. Information Studies Ph.D., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
8. Petroleum Engineering M.S., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
9. Petroleum Engineering M.S. (Accelerated with B.S. in Petroleum Engineering), program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
10. Petroleum Engineering Ph.D., program requirement change, was unanimously approved.
11. Taxation graduate certificate, new embedded certificate request, was unanimously approved.
Information Item
- The Graduate College is developing a grade replacement policy that we hope to present at the April meeting.

Discussion Item
- Draft graduate faculty policy updates from the Graduate Faculty Membership Committee
  - Discussion was postponed until the April 3, 2019 meeting.

Reports
Dr. Andrew John from the Health Sciences Center and Norman council member Dr. Mike Biggerstaff gave the following report from the February 21, 2019 HSC Graduate Council meeting:
- Council members discussed both Norman and HSC graduate faculty membership.
  - Both campuses are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC).
- The graduate student research symposium will take place soon on the HSC campus.
- The ability to hire staff in a timely manner was discussed.
- There is an ongoing discussion about students’ access to their email account after graduation.

Dr. James Sluss, Dean of the Tulsa Graduate College, offered the following:
- Research Week is the first week in April and will include a Research Forum on April 3 for OU and University of Tulsa students. Jed Friedman, Director of the Harold Hamm Diabetes Center, will give the keynote presentation on April 4.

Course Modifications, Proposals, and Deletions
The following course modifications and proposals have been approved by the Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Academic Programs Council for further approval after the seven (7) day protest period. Only brief information regarding approved changes follows; however, original course change proposals will be on file in the Graduate College through the seven-day protest period if you have questions or concerns about any of the following. Please contact the Graduate Council Secretary, Linda Kelly, at 325-3106, if you wish to review any of these materials.

ACCT 6623. Change in prerequisites.
CH E 5453. Change in title; clarifying prerequisites.
EDS 5833. Removing crosslisting.
EDS 6010. Change in prerequisites; removing crosslisting.
ECE 5583. Change in title and prerequisites.
ENGB 5142. Change in prerequisites, course description, and semesters offered.
LIS 6962. Change in title, prerequisites, and maximum credits.
PSY 4023. Change in prerequisites.
PSY 4253. Change in prerequisites.
PSY 4453. Change in prerequisites.
PSY 4613. Change in prerequisites.
PSY 4920. Change in prerequisites.
PSY 4940. Change in prerequisites.
S WK 5083. Change in prerequisites.
ANTH 5733. Course addition.
C S 5063. Course addition.
EMBA 5021. Course addition.
EMBA 5112. Course addition.
EMBA 5142. Course addition.
MGT 5112. Course addition.
EMBA 5122. Course deletion.
EMBA 5172. Course deletion.
PHIL 5833. Course deletion.
PHIL 6010. Course deletion.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 3, 2019.

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