

Eastern Washington University
Graduate Affairs Council
Minutes of October 23, 2024

Members Present: D. Ayers, K. Hope, D/ Vulcan for D. DiLuzio, J. Lawlar, B. Davenport, L. Reeves

University Officials: S. Eubanks, G. Cash-James

1. The meeting was called to order by D. Ayers at 3:09 p.m. without quorum. Quorum reached at 3:17 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes of October 9, 2024. *Hearing no objections, the minutes are approved.*

3. Reports. a. Chairs Report. D. Ayers reported: *i.* from Rules the big thing they are being tasked with is GAC's response to the PRC report. They would like GAC to respond to Rules by the end of November. The big news is GAC only has three things to look at which are all Education. *ii.* BOT will be held tomorrow and Friday.

b. Administrative Report. S. Eubanks reported: *i.* they have met the internal limit of GSAs and hopefully they will get better information. Most years they don't but this year they did. B. Davenport stated he saw an email about the late add policy for online accelerated that they were going to start charging a fee. S. Eubanks stated things got bogged down and they are trying to create a fee to fix the problem. They're not sure that will fix the problem, but they are discussing it and want to get more people to weigh in on that. However, it won't be happening anytime soon. B. Davenport stated so no late adds? S. Eubanks confirmed.

c. ASEWU Graduate Affairs Report. None.

5. Unfinished Business. a. Recap Subcommittee Assignments:

- i. CPAC #1. Chair D. Semb, C. McNeely, and B. Davenport*
- ii. CPAC #2. Chair K. Walker, D. Vulcan, and J. Lawlar*
- iii. PDRC. Chair D Ayers, K. Hope, and L. Reeves*
- iv. AAB. Chair D. Ayers, K. Hope, and L. Reeves*
- v. APAC Rep. L. Reeves*
- vi. PRC Rep. D. Semb*
- vii. Rules Rep. D. Ayers*

b. CPAC Training. K. Walker was unable to attend the meeting so the training will be held at the next meeting.

6. New Business. a. Program Review Committee Report (303-35).

i. Report from D. Semb

ii. PRC Memo. D. Ayers stated the biggest thing is the PRC program discontinuation process. The PRC offered their recommendations along with the provost and now GAC will give their recommendations by the end of November for it to go back to Rules. They did discuss whether the PRC report should be posted on the FO website for both GAC and UAC. After discussion it was decided that the report will be posted to both areas. In addition, they could invite people to GAC from the affected programs. C. Hazelbaker did mention there may be new data that will need to be accounted for when reviewing the programs that are up for possible

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discontinuance because not all the information is up to date. The Education programs technically shouldn't have been part of the SRA process since they are new however, the provost can put any program up for discontinuance that he feels should be reviewed. This will come back as unfinished business at the next meeting. S. Shaffer from Education will attend to discuss the Education program that is up for discontinuation.

b. Probation and Dismissal (303-22). S. Eubanks stated they have talked about the before. If the program advocates for the student, the student won't get probation or be dismissed. They want to make the process fair and equitable, so they changed the language to show if a student gets below a 3.0, they are on probation. If a student is on probation and they get below a B- they will be dismissed. With some of the online accelerated programs, they had the issue that if a student is dismissed on a Friday, they could turn around and apply over the weekend and they would be readmitted to the program on Monday. Undergraduate has a mechanism where the student will have to sit out for a term so if the student has two terms of bad grades they would have to sit out for one term. The program with Graduate programs is if they sits out for a term that would be a full year with the way cohorts work. He stated they could exempt cohort programs from this policy. Will discuss further at a future meeting.

7. Good of the Order. a. None.

8. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, November 13, 2024.