

Council Chair: Steve Permuth Absent	
Policy/Fellowship Committee	EX OFFICIO (NON-VOTING)
Bahner, Ingrid - POLICY/FELLOWSHIP CHAIR	Dwayne Smith, Dean, OGS
Barkasay, Theresa, GC Student rep Absent	Paul Sanberg, VP, Research and Innovation Absent
Buck, Harleah	Ruth Bahr, Assoc. Dean, OGS
Guldiken, Rasim GTM	Shyam Mohapatra, Assoc Dean, Pharmacy Absent
Miltenberger, Ray	Erin Sauer, Co-Pres, GAU Absent
Seibel, Brad	Sam Badger, Co-Pres GAU Absent
Taylor, Hope, GC Student Rep	Vanessa Burshic GPSC President
Uysal, Askin Absent	
Wheeler, Pat	
Zgibor, Janice	
TBA – AS, TA	
Curriculum Committee	LIAISONS
Allen, Maryellen Absent	Carol Hines-Cobb, Assistant Director, Academics
Centner, Raymond, GC Student Rep	Renita Wasilefsky, Enroll Mgmt Spec.
Daughdrill, Gary	Francisco Vera, Sr. Asst Director, Grad Admissions
Dave, Vrushank	Katie Wagner, Associate Dir., Admissions
Davis, Amy GTM	Norma Bedell, Asst. Registrar
Do Nascimento Nunes, Cecilia Absent	
Hallock-Muller, Pam GTM	
Johansson, Marcia Absent	
Kirby, Russell	
Plank, Richard - CURRICULUM CHAIR	
Savachkin, Alex	
Tricarico, Katie Absent	
TBA - TA	

FEBRUARY MINUTES

1. Dr. Russell Kirby welcomed everyone and had introductions.
2. There was no Public Comment on Agenda Items
3. The Council approved the [January 28, 2019 Minutes](#) unanimously.
4. Chair's Report – Dr. Kirby deferred the Chair's report to the end of the meeting, to coincide with the Dean's Report.
5. Committee Reports
 - [Policy/Fellowship Committee Report](#) – Approved Unanimously
 - [Curriculum Committee Report](#) – Approved Unanimously
6. Dean's & Associate Dean's Report
 - Dr. Dwayne Smith reported that the Consolidation Task-force met last week and presented its recommendations, which are from a higher-level perspective, with a degree of autonomy for each campus. In this model, there would be Regional Chancellors that would have administrative authority of their respective campus. He noted that this recommendation comes with the support of many businesses, especially in the St. Petersburg region. Dr. Smith also reported that the internal groups tasked with making a recommendation have completed that work, which has a more centralized model for structure. The Board of Trustees will vote on the recommendations on March 5, with recommendations sent to the Board of Governors by March 15. Dr. Smith anticipates that this is an evolving process that will take some time sort out and finalize, with the final consolidation date of July 2020.

- Dr. Ruth Bahr reported on the following:
 - i. Fellowships are underway. Five nominees were selected for the Presidential Fellowships, with many more on a waitlist. There were 36 applications for the GSS and Auzenne, with 11 awards for the GSS and one for Auzenne.
 - ii. Dissertation Completion applications had many issues from students not selecting that they were a doctoral candidate, a requirement for the award.
 - iii. OGS is aware of the recent issues pertaining to the Writing Center and it is not closing completely for graduate students. Solutions are in development. It was noted that many students were using the facility not as intended, but as a weekly session for writing versus more as the occasional edit, etc.

Dr. Bahr also reported on the Council of Southern Graduate Schools Conference, which she just attended. She announced:

 - iv. The USF 3MT participant won the People's Choice Award (3rd place), which included a \$250 award. The student will now represent at the state meeting.
 - v. The CGS meeting focused on mental health issues. USF is doing pretty well, with the exception of not having a program similar to what Peter Harries has at NC State, which Student Ambassadors for Mental Health.
 - vi. She also attended a session on faculty credentialing and another on ITA training.
 - vii. On the issue of ITA training, she noted that USF is out of compliance and she is working with the faculty and departments to ensure that TAs have appropriate credentials and have completed the ITA training if their TOEFL scores were insufficient. Carol Hines-Cobb sent the Council members a link to the GA Letter of Offer templates, which can assist in confirming compliance.
- 7. Chair's Report – Dr. Kirby reminded members that there were only a few months left and several leadership positions would be opening for Council for next year.
- 8. Adjourn – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next meetings: Committees March 4; Full Council: March 18