**UMGSB GRADUATE COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 11, 2019**

**Led by: UMB**

**In Attendance:** Janet Rutledge, Jeff Halverson, Lisa Morgan, Alex Rittle, Erin Golembewski, Hye-Wong Kang, Daniel Ritschel, Claire Welty, Sarah Chard, Hal Schreier, Kathy O’Dell, Dave Rasko, Meg Johantgen, Kirsten Corazzini,

Welcome and Introductions

Overview of the Graduate Council and Committee Structure

* Long Range Planning and New Programs – any new programs, changes, and sometimes policy (arbitrary and capricious grading, grievances, etc.)
* Program Review – the committee reviews APRs to assess whether the reviews were conducted properly, assess whether there are issues within the review that cause concern for the quality of the program. The 3-year review is an update and the 7-year is the APR.
* New Courses – any new courses or changes to a course, the committee works from the check list included on the form to determine what has not been done or submitted.
* Graduate Faculty – review applications for regular (must have chaired a PhD committee), associate (anyone who has a terminal degree) and special (everything else)

Approval of Minutes from Council Meeting held on May 2, 2019

* The review of the May 2 minutes was tabled for the October 3 meeting.

Announcements/plans/issues UMBC

* The Graduate School numbers are up slightly in returning masters and PhDs. However, numbers are slightly down in new masters and PhDs.
* The Graduate School will participate in a 5-year strategic enrollment plan for graduate and undergraduate students.
* The search committee is finalizing its selection for the Assistant Vice Provost position and is looking for the selected candidate to start in early October.

Announcements/plans/issues UMB

* Full freeze went into effect on yesterday. Updates will be provided during next meeting.

GSA Reports

UMBC (*Alex Rittle*)

* The GSA must select a new student representative to serve on the USM Board of Regents. Students serve a two-year term. However, during the first year, student are nonvoting members. The GSA will select a new representative next month as well as at the end of the year.
* Unionization plans at College Park have stalled. The possibility of negotiations starting again this term has not been discussed. There continues to be confusion in the languages and the impact that unionization will have on GAs.

UMB

* None

Old Business

* None

**New Business**

* None

Adjourn Meeting to Convene in Committees

**Next Meeting**

Thursday, October 3, 2019

Teleconference Led by: UMBC