

**University of North Texas Health Science Center  
Graduate Council Meeting  
September 18, 2015**

**RECORDING:** Carla Lee Johnson

**PRESIDING:** Meharvan Singh

**PRESENT:** Griffith, Basu, Berg, Cheng, Cunningham, E. Johnson, Joshi (for Wendt), He, Luedtke, Mao, Novroski, Patterson, Reeves, Sumien, Warren

**ABSENT:** Gonzales, Gwartz, Kemp, and Simecka

**MEETING TIME:** 3:08 PM – 5:00 PM

**MEETING LOCATION:** CBH - 344

<b>Topic/Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion/Conclusion</b>	<b>Action/Recommendation</b>	<b>Responsible Person(s)</b>
<b>Approval of August 2015 Minutes</b>	Dr. Cunningham moved to approve the August 2015 meeting minutes with changes. Dr. Berg seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>	Post to GSBS website.	Ms. Griffith
<b>New Graduate Council Members</b>	Dr. Singh welcomed Dr. Weiming Mao who has replaced Dr. Clark as the Visual Sciences representative to Graduate Council; Dr. Joseph Warren representing Molecular and Medical Genetics; Dr. Robert Luedtke who is one of the two newly elected graduate faculty at-large representative. The other at-large representative, Dr. Eric Gonzales, was unable to attend due to teaching commitments.		
<b>GSBS Faculty/Staff Assembly</b>	Dr. Singh reminded Council members of the upcoming GSBS Faculty/Staff Assembly at noon on October 6, 2015, and encouraged attendance. Administrative staff is invited to attend. Faculty members should communicate pertinent information to lab and technical staff.		
<b>Define High Performing Graduate Program</b>	Dr. Singh asked members to e-mail him how they would define high performing graduate program	Write definition and e-mail Dean Singh	Council Members
<b>Traditional Curriculum Retreat</b>	Dr. Singh stated the need to hold a retreat to finalize changes to the traditional core curriculum. Dates were discussed and narrowed down to October 21 or 30, Nov 11, 12 and 13.	Determine location suitable and available and notify attendees of the final date.	Mrs. Johnson
<b>Course Inventory</b>	Dr. Singh tabled requests for all new BMSC courses for curriculum revisions.  The request for a new course entitled “Molecular Virology” was tabled with suggestions for a new title and other minor	Return suggested changes to In-Woo Park, PhD and resubmit for	Dr. Berg

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	<p>changes to be brought forward at the next meeting.</p> <p>Mrs. Johnson presented the request for change in course description for Thesis (BMSC 5395) to allow students to take 3-9 SCH instead of 3-6. This change is necessary since MS students are required to maintain enrollment in 9 SCH. Dr. Reeves moved to approve the request. Dr. Cunningham seconded. Motion carried.</p>	<p>October meeting.</p> <p>Send revised course description to Office of the Registrar.</p>	<p>Mrs. Johnson</p>
<b>Graduate Faculty Appointments</b>	<p>Dr. Reeves moved to appoint Hai Yao, PhD as temporary graduate faculty. Dr. Berg seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Dr. Cheng moved to appoint of Kyle Emmitte, PhD as Category III graduate faculty. The motion was tabled for letter of support from Dr. Pang.</p> <p>Dr. Cheng moved to appoint Jin Liu, PhD as Category III graduate faculty. Dr. Mao seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Dr. Warren moved to approve Deanna Cross, PhD, as Category II adjunct graduate faculty. Dr. Berg seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Dr. Reeves moved to approve Howe Liu, PhD for reappointment as Category III graduate faculty. Dr. Sumien seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Dr. Cheng moved to approve Xiaowei Dong, PhD for reappointment as Category III graduate faculty. Dr. Luedtke seconded. Motion failed.</p> <p>Dr. Cheng moved to approve Liang-Jun Yan, PhD for reappointment as Category III graduate faculty. Dr. Sumien seconded. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Update faculty roster</p> <p>Request letter of support from Dr. Pang</p> <p>Update faculty roster</p> <p>Update faculty roster</p> <p>Update faculty roster</p> <p>Notify Drs. Dong and Pang</p> <p>Update faculty roster</p>	<p>Mrs. Johnson</p> <p>Dr. Cheng</p> <p>Mrs. Johnson</p> <p>Mrs. Johnson</p> <p>Mrs. Johnson</p> <p>Dr. Cheng</p> <p>Mrs. Johnson</p>



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<b>GSA Update</b>	<p>Ms. Novroski provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• lanyards</li> <li>• meeting on 14<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• sponsored 2 teams for Sonny Singh Open</li> <li>• Alzheimer's walk</li> <li>• Pitchers with Professors, September 29, 5-7 at Wired Willy's</li> <li>• GSA Travel grants</li> <li>• Get more info from Nicole</li> <li>• Google Scholar</li> </ul>		
<b>Announcements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to GSA for sponsoring teams for Sonny Singh Open</li> <li>• Grad Council – Tuesday October 13</li> <li>• Faculty assembly – Oct 6</li> <li>• Outstanding Faculty Seminar is Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 in Luibel Hall</li> <li>• LinkedIn group – join it!</li> <li>• Dr. Ben Cohen, former provost, passed away today</li> </ul>		