FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2021**

# Zoom meeting

**AGENDA:**

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of the December 8, 2020 Minutes

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Special Reports:

A. Leon McClinton – MLK Day update

B. Susie Popplewell – Diversity Cord

C. Matt Upson, Clarke Iakovakis – Experts Directory

5. President Hargis – Remarks and Comments

6. Report of Status of Faculty Council Recommendations:

President Hargis, Provost Sandefur and/or Vice Presidents

7. Reports of Liaison Representatives –

1. Wellness – Kim Beard



B. GPSGA – Maegan Berg

Spring 2021 GPSGA meetings will be through Zoom at 5:30 PM on the following days:

* January 21, 2021
* February 17, 2021
* March 24, 2021
* April 21, 2021

Complete this [GPSGA survey](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmx.technolutions.net%2Fss%2Fc%2Fo1ZzE6NoelhmYnAd-826DgzOjwbRNzUh8dI2hRtHWZlb2dcyFFzOdJ76XwLDFeBa9CnH6NZU7w6fzlBJj9sCy5mYl1va9J2zDoVDgK5zr9o0FasVzA-OGaIYi4PSF_lUcuWgAv64cB3aIuX4vTwL8ssmWIsPaHSavOQ27JF7V-m46y8Quq9KOTTovyKNQpuj%2F37i%2F8UfJ_DI_RB6xuXkuYGGLVQ%2Fh18%2F6jCtKdp4gwWfYpoioiEccAtkp0uhIhRqqvRmAf2PQnQ&data=04%7C01%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C9c80442f13694797c3a408d8b0efdef3%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C637453891562639155%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=O0Jo%2FGVMZsRfwtNLHkjjfudNgGA%2FTKkWeZJRcMkw6EY%3D&reserved=0) and let us know how you are doing.

C. Graduate Council – Rebecca Sheehan

*Doctoral and Masters Hooding Photo Opportunity.* Dean Tucker reported the graduate photo opportunity was a success. Fifty-two graduates received two photos, compliments of the Graduate College, with the opportunity to purchase more photos from Genesee Photo.

*Fall 2020 Graduate Degree Gift Boxes.* Approximately 850 gift boxes were mailed to Fall 2020 graduate degree candidates. Graduate College staff assisted in packing the boxes along with the Registrar’s office and Facilities Management staffs.

*Graduate Research Writing Tool.* Dr. Steph Link shared a PowerPoint presentation of the Wrangler research writing tool, soon to be rebranded ‘Scholarly’. She asked for input on launching this writing instrument at OSU this spring.

*Graduate Faculty Survey*. Dr. Self provided an update on the Graduate Faculty Survey, which seeks input on what would help graduate faculty better serve graduate students. Thus far, 186 graduate faculty have completed the survey and 83 are willing to participate in a follow-up interview in Spring 2021.

*Wellness Initiative*. Dean Tucker followed up on creating a taskforce to support the mental health and wellbeing of graduate students, a population with unique needs. This initiative by the Graduate College has already been endorsed by Graduate Council and will include individuals from across our three campuses with graduate programs – OSU-Stillwater, OSU-Tulsa and OSU CHS. The purpose of this initiative is to (1) determine what we know about our current, graduate student population and their resources needs; (2) identify national promising/best practices and needs and gaps in our resources and/or their utilization; and (3) devise a long-term plan to meet graduate student needs, including enhancing the knowledge and use of mental health and wellness resources.

*Academic Program Committee.* The following program modifications were approved:

1. Graduate Certificate – Integrative Design of the Building Envelope – course requirement change.

2. Graduate Certificate in Forensic Arson, Explosives, Firearms and Toolmarks – remove GRE.

3. M.S. Industrial Engineering – option additions in Operations Research and Analytics; and, Supply

Chain and Logistics.

4. M.S. Forensic Sciences - remove GRE requirement.

5. Ph.D. Forensic Sciences – remove GRE requirement.

6. M.S. Materials Science Engineering – course requirement change.

7. Ph.D. Materials Science Engineering – course requirement change.

8. Graduate Certificate in Aging Studies – replaces the Graduate Certificate in Gerontology.

The following New Degree Request was approved:

1. Master of Engineering in Materials Science and Engineering – non-thesis only M.S. in Tulsa.

*Academic Regulations Related to Thesis/Dissertations*. Dr. Van Delinder reported on a new proposed Academic Regulation clarifying copyright ownership of theses and dissertations. The proposed policy is under review by Legal Counsel and will be brought forward for discussion in the Spring.

D. Women’s Faculty Council – Liz McCullagh

Anyone interested in the WFC can visit our website at womensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu and email wfc@okstate.edu to sign up to be put on our email list.

Our Spring programming is in the works, we will meet the first Monday of the month in February, March and April at 2:30pm (similar to the Fall semester), General themes:

February 1st: Mental Health

March 1st: Partnership with EQuAL

April 5th: Women and COVID

Announcements:

**Seeking reviewers for the Student Research Awards**

Please email Sarah Milligan (sarah.milligan@okstate.edu) if interested in volunteering.

**Deadline for submission of Student Research Awards is March 1st**

Application can be found here: <https://womensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu/research-awards/research-awards.html>

\*this information will change in the next few weeks so stay tuned!

8. Reports of Standing Committees:

a. Academic Standards and Policies: Cristina Gonzalez – No Report

b. Athletics: Justin Talley – No Report

c. Budget: Tyrrell Conway – No Report

d. Campus Facilities, Safety, and Security: Tieming Liu – No Report

e. Diversity: Ki Cole – No Report

f. Faculty: Matt Lovern – No Report

g. Long-Range Planning and Information Technology: Christopher Crick – No Report

h. Research: Bruce Dunn – No Report

i. Retirement & Fringe Benefits: Sarah Hall – No Report

j. Rules and Procedures: Karen Neurohr – Update

k. Student Affairs and Learning Resources: Toby Nelson – No Report

9. Old Business –

10. New Business –

11. Adjournment -