# PURDUE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL

#### Minutes of the Graduate Council Meeting October 24, 2024 2:30 p.m.

Second Meeting

(Via Teams)

- PRESENT: Haley Oliver, chair, Nurgul Aitalieva, Brad Alge, Shawn G. Bauldry, Carrie Berger, Jason Cannon, Olivia Grace Cape, Joy Colwell, Bryan DeWitt, Emad Elwakil, Melissa Franks, Michelle Garrison, Qing Jiang, Erika Birgit Kaufmann, Andrew Liu, Stephanie Masta, Tina Payne, Julia M. Rayz, Frederico Rossi, Abraham Schwab, Lisa Snodgrass, James Tisdale, Zaiyan Wei, Josh Widhalm, Yan Ping Xin, Amanda D. Zelechoski, David Zwicky
- ABSENT: Arun Bhunia, Jennifer Cutter, Duane D. Dunlap, Jason FitzSimmons, Kevin D. Gibson, Catherine A. Golden, Sheila Hurt, Nancy Jackson, Mary Johnson, Kimberly Kinzig, Judith Lewandowski, Qiang Liu, Patti Ludwig, Somosmita Mitra, Jamie Mohler, Dimitri Peroulis, Rodolfo Pinal, Senay Purzer, Carson Reeling, Joseph (Paul) Robinson, David Rollock, Kristen (Kate) White, Patrick Wolfe
- GUEST: Stacy Bogan, Shalom Kpetsu, JoAnne Miller

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The chair, Dr. Haley Oliver, Interim Vice Provost for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars, opened the meeting.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The September 19, 2024, minutes were moved to the Consent Agenda.

#### **GRADUATE PROPOSAL APPROVALS**

Graduate Program and Course Proposals document was moved to the Consent Agenda. (Appendix A)

#### PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Shalom Kapetsu gave a presentation on the activities of the PGSG since the last meeting. They have been promoting mental health and well-being among graduate students, personal development and entrepreneurship, as well as diversity events, They have created a platform for students to engage, socialize and experience school spirit, further enhancing their sense of community. Parking concerns were raised, and a stipend listening session was held. Other comments and concerns were shared with the council members.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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- a. Report on Updates to Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs (Melissa Franks and Catherine Golden) moved to the Consent Agenda for a vote.
- b. Updated report was given on Task Force Report on Graduate Council Membership (Melissa Franks)

## CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

Dr. Oliver asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion to accept the full Consent Agenda was received and seconded. The Consent Agenda was approved. The meeting was adjourned by the chair, Dr. Haley Oliver at 3:07 p.m.

Haley Oliver Chair of the Graduate Council

Tina Payne Secretary to the Graduate Council