

Graduate Council
Minutes
January 10, 2008

Present: Muehsam, Ashorn, Bruce, Cook, Edmonson, Price, Tayebi, Titterington

I. Approve Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of December 13, 2007 were approved.

II. Review Graduate Faculty Nominations

Per the Graduate Faculty Status Policy, the Council reviewed and made graduate faculty status recommendations for nominations.

III. Miscellaneous

International students are required to take the TOEFL in order to study at one of this country's universities. Europe uses the TOEFL and the IELTS (tests competency in English). There are several universities in the United States that will accept the IELTS for entrance. At a future meeting, the Council will discuss the possibility of SHSU accepting the IELTS as an entrance exam.

The Council briefly discussed transferring hours from outside their disciplines. The members will bring to the next Council meeting examples of their transfer guidelines.

Items to be discussed at future meetings:

- Setting up prerequisites
- Composition of Graduate Council
- 6 year limit