MINUTES OF GRADUATE COUNCIL OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL MEETING

September 19, 2019

DUC 276, 4 PM

Graduate Council Chair William F. Tate, Dean of the Graduate School started the meeting at 4:01 pm.

I. Dean William Tate: welcome/introductions of members.

The following topics (in bold) on the agenda were approved individually and unanimously:

II. Approval of April 25, 2019 minutes

III. Dean’s Report: Graduate Education admissions update, raised questions about recruiting of Top 10 universities and top 10 Liberal Arts, HBCUs, and HSIs. More fellowships, highly ranked faculty, higher win rate.

Goals:
- Target-top national and liberal arts institutions
- Recruit-URM students
- Learn-From MFA programs
- Enhance- fellowships
- Grow-elite mentors

- Discussions:
  - Globally ranked schools and how we rank against them
  - ABRCMS- Biomedical Research Conference and getting a larger budget for graduate school recruitment
  - Might form a new committee for recruitment

IV. Approval of candidates for advanced degrees, August 2019

V. Approval of new courses

VI. Discussion/Vote for new PhD Program in DBBS in Cancer Biology

VII. Graduate Student Senate Introduction
- Over 700 attendees
- End of February there will be a Research Symposium
- Metro-Reimagined
- Academic Careers/Alternative Careers
- Mental Health awareness/discussion

VIII. New Business
- Working on extending Bearly Drivers program to graduate students
- Increased awareness of safety concerns/committee formed
- Try to form a group for learning how to recruit URM students
- Possibly ask Chancellor to speak to Graduate Council

The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 pm.