The Wright State University Graduate Council met on October 30, 2014. Its standing committees met prior to that date.

I. REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE DEAN

**Wright State-Wright Patt Scholarships:** The $2500/semester tuition scholarships are for active military and government civilians, as well as their spouses and dependents. The Graduate School awarded 85 scholarships (approx. $150,000). Drs. Fyffe and Ayres met with the Wright Patt leadership recently and shared these positive Fall 2014 numbers with them. Resulting from the conversation, the scholarship program is expanding to include Wright Patt’s Air Force Reserve personnel. It is effective immediately.

**Graduate Excellence Scholarship:** This is a new scholarship (new money) aimed at recruiting WSU’s undergraduates. First awards will be applied Fall 2015. Eligibility requirements: Graduated from WSU with a Bachelor’s degree (within past year) and a minimum GPA of 3.5. There will be a simple online application for students to complete; there is no cap to the number of scholarships awarded. Scholarship amount: $1500/semester when registered for 9 or more credit hours; $1000/semester for 6 credit hours.

The **Graduate Open House** was held Wed. Oct. 15, 2014. The event was well attended with numbers similar to last year: 270 attended and 186 applications were submitted. Historically, those who submit applications at the Open House become enrolled students.

**Graduate Program Directors Workshop:** Friday, Nov. 7, 12:00-2:30 p.m. in E156 SU. Topics: Advising and Graduate Student Success.

II. WRIGHT STATE INTERNATIONAL GATEWAY REPORT

Dr. Lang Hong, Executive Director of the Wright State International Gateway (WSIG), gave a presentation to Graduate Council to explain who WSIG is and what they do. WSIG was established in May 2013 to provide seamless communication with prospective international students through a one-stop shop. Previously, the University Center for International Education (UCIE) recruited international students, and Undergraduate Admissions and the Graduate School processed the applications. WSIG now handles the recruitment and admission processes for both undergraduate and graduate international students.

Comparison of functions of WSIG and UCIE
WSIG: recruitment, admissions, international summer camps, world campus, and partial tuition scholarships.
UCIE: immigration, student services, study abroad programs, exchange/partnerships, and international visitors.

Dr. Hong also explained the process of transcript evaluation and GPA calculation. A sampling of WSIG’s work was compared with the GPA calculated by World Education Services (WES); results were very similar.
III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A call for nominations for the 2015 College Outstanding Alumni Awards was recently emailed to all deans and associate deans. The Graduate School relies on the colleges to nominate alumni from graduate programs for this annual award. Each college should nominate one alumnus and send the required information to the Graduate School. The Student Affairs Committee will then meet to review the nominations and will recommend one of the alumni to the Graduate School Dean.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee reported on the graduate faculty members approved.

POLICIES COMMITTEE

The Graduate Policies Committee has been given the following charges from Faculty Senate:

1. The development of policies governing the initiation, implementation and oversight of all international academic programs. The policies should include recommendations for procedures governing all types of articulation agreements, transfer agreements, combined programs, hybrid programs, and offsite programs.

2. The review of the minimum standards and test score requirements for international student admission with reference to minimum English proficiency test scores at peer Ohio and comparator institutions and to recommend modifications to the Faculty Senate if appropriate.

The Policies Committee will be meeting soon to begin this work.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE A

The Curriculum Committee A recommended, and the Graduate Council approved, the following course modifications and program of study modifications:

**Course modifications:** NUR 7302 and PSY 9990

**Program of Study modifications:** M.S. Administration of Nursing & Health Care Systems, M.S. Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, M.S. Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist, M.S. Family Nurse Practitioner, M.S. Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, M.S. Nursing Education, M.S. Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Acute Care, M.S. Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Primary Care, M.S. Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, M.S. School Nurse, Nursing Education Certificate, Post Masters Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist Certificate, Post Masters Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate, Post Masters Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Acute Care Certificate, Post Masters Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Primary Care Certificate, and School Nurse Certificate.
The Curriculum Committee B recommended, and the Graduate Council approved, the following new courses, course modifications, and quarter to semester conversion:

**New Course Requests:** ED 6150, ED 6200, ED 6300, ED 6690, ED 8830, and HST 7825.

**Course Modifications:** AFS 6030, ED 6970, ED 7060, ED 7120, ED 7220, ED 7450, ED 7500, ED 7560, ED 7800, ED 7810, ED 7820 and MKT 7800.

**Quarter to Semester Conversion:** MGT 703 to MGT 7030

**IV. GRADUATE STUDENT ASSEMBLY (GSA)**

The Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) just closed the first round of applications for the Original Work and Professional Development grants. The review is underway and the awards should be announced within a few weeks. The second round will take place in the Spring.