

Faculty Senate Graduate Academic Policies Committee
October 21, 2020
Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Faculty: David Ladle, Bruce Laforse, Don Hopkins, Yoko Miura, Tara Konicki, John McAlearney, Yong Pei
Ex-officio: Mary Holland, Melinda Schneider, Barry Milligan, Clayton Allex-Buckner

- I. Minutes of the September 30, 2020 meeting were approved as written.
- II. Policy 5120

The committee reviewed concerns from a Faculty Senator regarding the proposed stipend language in policy 5120. After discussions, the committee agreed to recommend that the Senate make the following edits to the section:

Original proposed language

New language

Higher stipend levels paid from internal WSU funds may be granted with the approval of the appropriate college/school dean and the Graduate School. Higher stipend levels paid from funds originating from external grants and contracts may be granted as indicated in a budget approved by the external sponsor.

- III. Graduate Funding Review

The committee continued to review and discuss the graduate funding review draft. Dr. Ladle agreed to incorporate the committee's comments and recommendations in a new draft for future discussions.

- IV. Non-degree admissions

The committee briefly reviewed an email from Jen McCamis, Director of Admissions, regarding the re-application fee for non-degree students that have been away from WSU.

- May encounter some system issues and tracking concerns if we move away from the one year to a forever (or extended) model.
- Could be something that can be explored other institutions don't require an application for people who have been a student before—there is a process but it isn't an admissions application. If we want to explore moving in this direction, we will need to include IR and CaTS in the conversation.
- For undergraduate students, there is no longer an application fee, regardless of degree vs non degree.
- From a timeline perspective, we are probably 1 day longer as we allow for the data to transfer from systems and tuition cohort information to get set.

- V. Adjourn – the November meetings will be scheduled via email.