

**Winthrop University**  
**Graduate Council Minutes**

February 23, 2007  
208 Thurmond  
2:00 pm

The following members were present: Annie-Laurie Wheat, Chair, Bill Grigsby, Marshall Jones, Sue Peck, Cara Peters, Kelly Richardson, and Antje Mays. Jean Silagyi-Rebovich was absent. Roger Weikle, Karen Jones, Janice Chism, Tim Drueke, and Laurie Carpenter were present.

1. Council approved the minutes of the January 19, 2007 meeting.

2. Council approved the following Curriculum Proposals:

**College of Arts and Sciences:**

**Department of History:**

**Drop:** HIST 500 Historiography and Methodology for graduate students

**Department of Mathematics:**

**Change:** title of **MAED 694 (3)** **From:** Special Topics for Middle School or Junior High Teachers

**To:** MAED 694 (3) Special Topics in Content and Pedagogy for Math Teachers.

**Department of Social Work:**

**Add:** **SCWK 541 (3)** Substance Abuse Interventions

**College of Visual and Performing Arts:**

**Department of Music:**

**Change title of MUSA 656 from** Chamber Wind Ensemble **to** Wind Symphony

**MM in Conducting (Wind Instrumental Track)**

**Change:** Choose 2 hours from: 2

MUSA 657 Symphonic Band

MUSA 658 Wind Ensemble

**To:** Choose 2 hours from: 2

**MUSA 656 Wind Symphony**

MUSA 657 Symphonic Band

MUSA 658 Wind Ensemble

**Drop:** **MUST 507** Music Since 1900

3. Council voted to table the following Curriculum Proposals

**Department of Theatre and Dance:**

**Change THRT 610:** Course number to **685**

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3. Reports:

The Faculty Conference By-Laws Proposal was discussed (Draft 3.1). The Graduate Council appreciates the efforts of Faculty Conference Chair Tim Daugherty to present this document for faculty review. However, the consensus of the Graduate Council is that we need to see what happens with the Graduate Studies Committee and the future of the graduate programs at Winthrop before endorsing such a significant change in the way that graduate faculty function.

4. Old Business-There was no old business

5. New Business-

The Graduate Studies Report ("Looking to the Future: Transforming Graduate Studies at Winthrop University") was discussed with special guests: Roger Weikle, Karen Jones and Janice Chism, Committee Members. Dean Roger Weikle took notes and will take back six

comments/suggestions from Graduate Council to the Graduate Studies Committee. Graduate Council may be asked to endorse the statements on Mission, Values and Guiding Principles at a later date.

Dr. Carl Bessinger, Graduate Faculty Assembly Chair had to resign due to health issues.

Janice Chism was nominated to complete his term. Graduate Faculty Assembly will need to ratify this at the March 2, 2007 meeting.

6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
7. The Graduate Council members on the Petition Committee met and handled one petition.

**Next meeting: March 30, 2 p.m, 208 Thurmond**