

University Constitution Committee Minutes
September 14, 2015 10:45 AM – 12:15 PM
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Attendees:

David Grossier (Chair)

Christine Fruin

Angel Kwolek-Folland

Maureen Long

Richard Scholtz

Ana Spiguel

Su Zhong (by telephone)

David Grossier called the meeting to order at 10:47 AM.

April 16 2015 Minutes - the minutes were corrected to clarify that Kwolek-Folland was only asked to verify the quorum of Graduate Council, not all Joint Committees. There was only a general discussion by committee members on the issue of quorums. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Academic Titles – there is no update at this time. Waiting on regulatory changes to be submitted, and we will respond as needed once those are submitted.

Quorum of Graduate Council – Kwolek-Folland reported back that the standard practice is a majority or 7 of 13 members present.

Constitution Art. IV(5) Definition of Quorum – Motion made and passed to recommend to Steering Committee to change Constitution Art. IV(5) language on quorums to match language in Bylaw 4(G)(4). This necessitates removing the phrase “a majority of” from the constitutional provision.

Temporary Committee Vacancy Procedure - Motion made and passed to request agenda item at October Steering Committee Meeting to discuss the absence in the Constitution and Bylaws a defined procedure to fill a Temporary Committee Vacancy. Constitution Art. V(8)(A) appears to only address permanent vacancies.

Bylaw 20(A)(4)(e) – tabled until the next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM