

# GFC Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2022

The meeting began at 3:35 with introductions.

**Attendees** Scott Aoki, Subir Bandyopadhyay, Janice Blum, Shu Cole, Adam Eckerd, Robyn Fuchs, Viraj Ghandi, Tabitha Hardy, Spencer Hall, Diane Henshel, Justin Hodgson, Lisa Hoffman, Stacie King, Jessica Lester, Alex Lichtenstein, Jeremy Linton, Tau Lu, Larry Moss, Colin Pellegrom<sup>1</sup> (GPSG President) Gloria Preece, Jeff Rutherford, Natalya Rybas, Bill Scheurman, Susan Sciame-Gieseke, Marcy Shepardson, Roza Tezanos-Pinto, Lisa Shea, Andrew Winship

**Spencer asked** questions about how public our records should be. Should our recording be on the Canvas site? Everyone seemed to say that this would be fine, and later in the meeting Diane mentioned that this was the plan. Should our minutes refer to post-meeting discussions that not everyone was present for? Our policy now is that when the chair adjourns the meeting, the meeting is closed and no minutes will be taken and the recording will be off.

**Minutes of last meeting** were approved at 3:49.

**Janice Blum spoke on the split of the Graduate School.** We had a single Graduate School based on Dean Wimbush's proposal to then-President McRobbie. As a result of President Whitten's proposal, we'll have at least two graduate schools. The interim deans are Janice herself and David Daleke. They are collaborating on how to establish two graduate schools and on several issues. A lot of policies will stay in place. The two deans anticipate working together. They are splitting their budget. There was a question

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from Bill about the timing and what we're supposed to do. He thought the timing was atrocious. Stacie asked: Is there any sense to either of you about the search for permanent deans? Answer: no. It's not clear that there will be a search even. Gloria Preece: Have there been discussions concerning the regional campuses? Diane: Sue and the others have been working with other regional people about how they want to structure. There will be a discussion in the GFC on this.

Viraj asked: where will students get their degree from during the transition? Janice: We learned about this only a month ago, so a lot is up in the air at this point. Purdue gets Engineering and CS. The rest of IUPUI will become IU Indianapolis. The answer might depend on the year, It's possible that all the degrees will be from Purdue, or that students to control things. For students who are taking many years. There will be a lot of students impacted, and we have a lot of challenges.

**There were reports from our committees** Diane spoke about the work of the APC, Spencer on Awards (and this might well change this year because of the new structure, and Larry on the DEIC.

**Natalya discussed the task force on online collaborative graduate programs** It has 4 charges: guidelines, recommendations sustainability beyond the launch, shared governance, responsibility of departments, and resources. They have met once already. They plan to soon study MOAs Lisa mentioned that we have over 400 students in these programs, and also 1000 undergrads. They feel strongly that they need infrastructure to help these students. Pres. Whitten has a goal to strengthen this. Example: MS in Strategic Finance. Master of Arts for Teachers. This is related to OCAP. Question from LM on who teaches in this?

**Spencer proposes a special group of people to think about the future of the GFC.** Already there are Bloomington people acting independently. This is partly related here to issues concerning the GAC and Dean Daleke. Janice then reported on how the GFC works; for example, its meetings are monthly, it has two reps from each school, the committee votes on stipends, and gives input on new degree proposals. She views the committee as more than advisors; they make policy. Tao then asked a question on our APC. Should it split as well into two subcommittees?

Spencer also proposed changing the time of GFC meetings.

**We will have an email vote on the start time .**

**Diane raised the issue of the future of the GFC** She also offered the opinion that this was a matter for the council itself, rather than one to be made by our administrators. Jeff noted that this could be a matter for the council as a whole, or for the GIC to take up. His point was based on a reading of our constitution. Diane suggests 10 minutes each meeting for the future.

Natalya: this group is extremely useful to her at IU East. Stacie: we'll need time to think about the awards, and disbanding the GFC seems impossible. Tao: What about meetings for just 1 hour? (Not going to happen – DH) Andrew: seems like we need *two* GFC's. Subir: good to have 10-15 minutes (each meeting) for the regionals in addition to the 10-15 minutes for the future of the GFC. But the meeting ended before any decision on this point was made.

**Diane asked for volunteers for an ad hoc committee on the future of the GFC**

Minutes taken and submitted by Larry Moss.