

**Florida Atlantic University  
University Graduate Council  
Minutes  
February 8, 2012**

**Present:** Deborah Floyd, Education; Ronald Nyhan, CDSI; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Charles Roberts, Science; Elwood Hamlin II, CDSI; Nancy Poulson, Arts & Letters; William Rhodes, Engineering; LaTasha Lee, GSA; David Newman, Nursing; Allen Smith, Business

**Absent:** Massimo Caputi, Biomedical Science; Kim Dunn, Business; Xupei Huang, Biomedical Science; Valerie Bryan, Education

**Others Present:** Barry Rosson, Graduate College; Barbara Bebergal, Graduate College; Armand JeanGeorges, GSA (soon to be approved as council member)

**The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Nyhan.**

**I. Approval of Agenda for January 18, 2012 meeting.**

The agenda was approved unanimously by the council.

**II. Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2012 meeting.**

The minutes were unanimously approved by the council.

**III. Consent Agenda for UGPC recommendations to USF Steering.**

It was unanimously approved by the council.

**IV. New Business**

**a. RCR Workshops**

Rosson stated that the RCR workshops should be online with live instruction. It could be a 0 credit course on Blackboard with no fee applied. There should be a change of wording in Phase 1.

Elisa and Paige will implement.

Phase 2 / The council asked what period of time was needed for the course. An 8 hour program is needed. The curriculum should be set up before Phase 2 is implemented. By fall, all students funded by the university should take this course.

A motion was raised to have all students funded by NSF and NIH to complete an 8 hour face to face RCR course.

The motion was moved and seconded. It was passed unanimously by the council.

- b. The VP of Research and the Provost will develop a funding plan for Graduate Student Research.

Rosson will work with the Provost to plan a working group on support of Graduate Research and Methodology.

**V. Old Business**

**GRE:** Individual Colleges have different requirements. Once the requirements are decided by the colleges they would need approval by the UFS. The council suggested that only the scores with designated E's should be put in front of the UFS. Further clarification will be asked for by the specific programs.

The council approved some college GRE decisions with exceptions.

Rosson will have a list prepared of the scores in question. When the list is complete the council will approve by email.

**VI. Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.**