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Graduate Associate Deans

March 14, 2019

Call to Order

- Ernest Brothers called the meeting to order at 2 pm on March 14 in AHT 4th Floor Conference Room.

Minutes

- Minutes from February approved.

Graduate School Updates

- **Update on Applications – Yvonne Kilpatrick**
Yvonne shared an enrollment report generated in ADMIT with each college comparing their numbers this year to last. Grad Admissions can possibly pull additional detail if needed, or if you want to go back to an earlier date...just let her know. One college appears to be a little out of balance, and there may be reasons contributing to that. Yvonne will follow up with Nursing directly. This is just one view. Note that data is also available in the Graduate Blueprint.

- **Debrief on Discover Graduate Education & Other Events – Ernest Brothers**
First, we want to thank you for your support for the **Conference of Southern Graduate Schools**. Nearly 300 were in attendance this year, and some of you were able to come out and join us. The poster session went well, and the conference was very well received.

Dr. Brothers will be traveling April 3 & 4 to the **Day on the Hill** in DC for the Council of Graduate Schools. He will be taking two graduate students: Jack Ryan (GSS Vice President) and Brandy Mmbaga (president of MGSO).

Discover Graduate Education – Thank you for your support. The turnout was not what we had hoped; however, it was a success. Though we had 72 registered, only 29 participated. Our goal was to reach a different section of the recruitment funnel. We tend to pay attention those who have already completed an application, but we were targeting those who have not yet applied, or perhaps are not yet exposed to UT graduate programs.

We will try it again. As we look at the competitiveness of recruitment, we need to extend our reach. Conversation/feedback followed.

Dr. Brothers also shared that he has been going to some of the open houses your colleges have hosted. It gives us an opportunity to meet your recruits, and see ways we can support your programs, as well.

3MT semi-finals – Sean Hendricks

Semi-finals are complete and we have our list of finalists. Thank you for your help in organizing those! The 3MT Finals will be April 3 at 1:30 in the Student Union Ballroom. GPSAW is also that week. The group discussed possible options for next year's semi-finals. We will re-visit by Fall.

Update on Catalog reformatting – Mary Albrecht

- Mary distributed a spreadsheet regarding the update status for each college. If the last column is blank, the update hasn't been approved by Mary yet (Feb. 28 was the deadline). After Spring break, she will send final notices. Brianne, Mary, Sara, and Catherine will be typing the drafts into the catalog. Note: approximately 74 entries have not provided any feedback. We'll be happy to resend the file, if needed; just let us know. If feedback isn't received, we will publish as we have drafted.

Additional Comments:

- Hooding is May 9...please encourage your graduating students to RSVP.
- Claudia mentioned how calendar changes impact the professional schools. This fall there is an extra day off for Thanksgiving. It seems this (the calendar) is a moving target with many variations year to year. Mary Albrecht shared there is a calendar committee where concerns can be directed.

No further business. Meeting adjourned – 3:15 pm.