

Graduate Administrators' Council (GAC)

Minutes for Thursday, April 21, 2016

Koch Hall Board Room, Room 118

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- Graduate Research Achievement Day – We still need a volunteer for Session 1. If you are interested, please let Missy know. Please encourage faculty and students to attend and tell the students to bring their friends.

Has GRAD Day outlived its usefulness? Council felt like the event should be held earlier in the year, perhaps the week after Spring Break. There will be a better communication plan for next year.

- Graduate Student Organization – There is a nucleus of about 8 or 9 students. Elections will be held the beginning of next year.
- Graduate Administrators' Council's April 21 meeting is CANCELED
- Banner Carriers have been chosen

- The Advanced Degree Luncheon will be held on Thursday, 5/12/2016.

#### Graduate Program Director Position Description

- Dr. Wojtowicz said he is waiting for feedback from the Darden College of Education and they should have something to him by Friday. Robert is hoping to present the revised description to Provost's Council on next Tuesday.

#### Peterson's

- Dr. Wojtowicz asked Council if anyone actually used/looked at Peterson's. He said that he has thought of discontinuing ODU's participation, but after surveying Virginia schools practices, he thought we should continue. Also, it was mentioned that more international students might use Peterson's.
- Dr. Wojtowicz advised that reporting to Peterson's is now electronic. A memo was sent to the Deans and Associate Deans advising of the new process.

#### SPEAK Retest– Date Added

- Based on feedback from some of the GPDs, an additional SPEAK retest date has been added on Decembe4 TD [(de)4 (d on 2, 2w)2 (aJ6-12 Tf ( )Tj EMC /LBody <</MCID 22 >>BDC