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***Faculty Senate Report***

**Graduate Council**

**September 2, 2020**

*Respectfully submitted by Dr. Irene Pittman Aiken, Dean*

Graduate Council meets for the first time of the 2020-2021 academic year on September 17, 2020. Below is information that has been shared with the Council and Program Directors believed to be most relevant to Faculty Senate.

The Graduate School’s preliminarily enrollment for fall of 2020 is 1826. The data indicate:

* a 36% increase over 2019
* 22% of the UNCP student body
* 240% growth in the last five years
* 53% are MBA students (MBA grew by over 50% compared to 2019 fall I)
* Non-MBA growth from 2019 of 14.9%.

Graduate Council Members for 2020-2021:

Dr. Whitney Akers, CMH Counseling Dr. Shenika Jones, Prof School Counseling

Ms. Christine Bell, Business Administration Dr. Naomi Lifschitz-Grant, Art Education

Ms. Latoya Brewer, Mathematics Education Dr. Roger Ladd, English Education

Dr. Kirill Bumin, Secretary Dr. Gretchen Robinson, MSA

Dr. Serina Cinnamon, Social Studies Education Dr. Marisa Scott, Special Education

Dr. William Crandall, Member-at-large Dr. Heather Kim Sellers, Reading Education

Ms. Susan Edkins, Athletic Training Dr. Emily Sharum, Public Administration

Dr. Michele Fazio, Member-at-large Dr. Thomas Trendowski, Physical Education

Dr. Kelly Ficklin, Elementary Education Dr. Summer Woodside, Social Work

Dr. Rita Hagevik, Science Education Dr. Velinda Woriax, Member-at-large

Dr. Julie Harrison-Swartz, Nursing GSO President or designee

**2020-21 Meetings (Open), 3 p.m., meeting remotely (via WebEx) in fall 2020; spring 2021 location TBD**

September 21, 2020 ([WebEx link](https://uncp.webex.com/uncp/j.php?MTID=m7bb1193c286fc3c898fb7f6be821adf0;))  
October 19, 2020 ([WebEx link](https://uncp.webex.com/uncp/j.php?MTID=m7bb1193c286fc3c898fb7f6be821adf0;))  
November 16, 2020 ([WebEx link](https://uncp.webex.com/uncp/j.php?MTID=m7bb1193c286fc3c898fb7f6be821adf0;))  
January 25, 2021  
February 15, 2021  
March 15, 2021  
April 19, 2021

Graduate Appeals Committee Members for 2020-20201:

Dr. Bruce DeHart

Dr. Rebecca Gonzalez Innis

Dr. Roger Ladd

Dr. Summer Woodside

Dr. Velinda Woriax