

BMS Graduate Program Committee

November 28, 2016

F-233

2:15 p.m.

Present: Alexander Galazyuk, Lisa Cooper, Lucy Coughlin, Yanqiao Zhang, Gary Meszaros and Margaret Weakland (support)

Meeting called to order.

Alex Galazyuk asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the BMS meeting held on September 21, 2016. Yanqiao Zhang motioned to approve and was seconded by Gary Meszaros. All in favor; unanimous approval. September 21, 2016 meeting minutes are approved.

Dr. Bill Lynch was not in attendance therefore, the agenda item of monitoring students' progress towards degree was not discussed.

Alex brought up the discussion of term limits for the chair and two committee positions. Yanqiao discussed that we need to look back to what was said at previous meetings about the positions. Once we get that information, Alex will send out email to those members whose term-limit is up and Alex will also send email to committee as to why he feels he should remain chairperson on committee.

Miscellaneous:

Alex brought attention to the BMS students and how they've been overlooked in years past; fitness center, parking, and NRSA grants. Alex is thinking to change this with KSU/BMS office as it related to faculty/ student related changes along with Drs. Charles Taylor, Chris Ritter, Jim Blank, and Ernie Freeman in the next couple weeks. How will students be registered here at NEOMED? Discussed possibility to increase the number of students on this campus by an additional 3 students paid by our budget and KSU will match it, as they can only take certain number of students peach year. Also in conversation is the web-site on the Kent State side; making a student friendly application process and creating opportunities for additional (undergraduate) students along with a data blitz.

Meeting adjourned.