Graduate Faculty Council (GFC) – Special Called Meeting September 9, 2020 1:30 to 3 p.m. **Meeting minutes** 

Present: Amy Lee, Alex Galazyuk, Ashley Myer, Sam Crish, Christian Ritter, Jodie Turosky, Julie Aultman, Kris Baughman, , Natalie Bonfine, Scott Wisneski, Steve Schmidt, Vahagn Ohanyan, Nona Hose, Phil Jenkinson, Kelly Shrock, Greg Koman, Chelsea Luli

## Guest: Paul Krupa-Wilson

Absent: Angelo DeLucia, Chris Vinyard, Matthew Smith

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1. Call to Order	Dr. Schmidt called the meeting to order. A special meeting of the Graduate Faculty Council was called for the purpose of presenting a new program for the College of Graduate Studies. The program is a Master of Science in Anesthesia (MSA) that will train students to qualify to become Certified Anesthesiologist Assistants (CAA)	
	The University has engaged a CAA from Ohio State University to assist with the development of the MSA program. The MSA is envisioned as a -28 Month program. The goal is to get through all the accreditation processes in order to enroll the first cohort of students in Summer II of 2021. This proposed program will be presented to NEOMED's Board of Trustees at their meeting on September 9, 2020	
	The GFC discussed the program proposal and faculty concerns and questions. These included: Short timeline for program development, faculty workload burden, the need for CAAs when hospitals use CRNAs, and lack of information about clinical affiliation site agreements. Comments were collected from faculty via email after the meeting. The questions and concerns were addressed by the MSA program consultant and Dr. Schmidt.	
	The GFC endorsed the new proposal for the Master of Science in Anesthesia program. The GFC requested to review a final revised proposal before it is submitted to CCGS.	
The meeting was adjourned.		