

**Minutes of the Graduate Committee  
Gordon Ford College of Business  
October 13, 2020**

Members present included Drs. Evelyn Thrasher (Chair), David Zimmer, Jason Bergner, Susane Leguizamon, Johnny Chan, Sean Marston, Helen Liang, Patricia Todd, Steve Wells (ex-officio), Dana Cosby (ex-officio), LeAnne Coder (AOL ex-officio)

Meeting started at 9:30am via Zoom.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Thrasher asked for a motion to approve the September 8, 2020 minutes. Dr. Leguizamon motioned and Dr. Chan seconded. All favored and minutes were approved with no corrections or discussions.

**Action Items**

Proposal to Revise a Program – Master of Accountancy

- Dr. Thrasher asked for a motion to approve. Dr. Chan motioned and Dr. Bergner seconded.
- Dr. Wells explained that the Master of Accountancy will be revised to be the Master of Accountancy and Data Analytics. This is in response to industry needs and recommendations, advisory council recommendations, AACSB accreditation standards, and accreditation review team recommendations. He further explained that the graduate data analytics and cybersecurity courses offered through the IS Department provide a good fit for the additional program revision needs.
- Dr. Marston proposed a friendly amendment to name the revised program “Master of Accountancy and Data Analysis” instead of “Master of Accountancy and Data Analytics”.
- All favored and the proposal was approved with the friendly amendment.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:10am.**