

**The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga**  
**Graduate Council Minutes**  
**March 27, 2003**

Members Present: G. Bartoo, N. Fell, K. Gee, J. Henley, V. Petzko, G. Thibadoux, J. Wakim,

Members Absent: N. Alp, V. Bumphus, D. Edwards, E. Foster, P. Guess, T. Lease, B. Lee, E. Meagher, J. Mies, A. Novobilski, M. Miller, D. Pittenger, C. Smith, S. Smullen, J. Tucker

Ex-Officio Members Present: D. Arfken

Ex-Officio Members Absent: M. Bell, C. Montz, L. Orth

**I. Call to Order and Approval of the Minutes**

Dr. Bartoo called the meeting to order at 3:25pm. The minutes were approved unanimously with changes.

**II. Agenda Items for 11-13-03**

It was suggested that Nancy Fell give a HIPPA presentation. Dr. Fell agreed.

**III. Changes of SACS Requirements as it pertains to Graduate Education**

Dr. Arfken stated that the 1998 and 2003 requirements are very different. The “must” statements have been replaced with much more vague statements. The burden of proof is now on the university to prove that it is keeping with the mission.

It was asked when UTC goes through SACS accreditation again. Dr. Arfken said not until 2010.

**IV. Open Discussion**

Dr. Bartoo said that the IRB process needs to be streamlined. He said he’s having problems getting approvals in a timely manner. Dr. Arfken suggested that she invite Dr. Eigenberg to the next Graduate Council meeting.

**V. Other Business; Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Pier  
Executive Secretary  
The Graduate School