

Minutes of the College of Education Graduate Programs Committee

April 11, 2012

Present: Deborah Floyd, Linda Webb, Susannah Brown, Rangasamy Ramasamy, Dianne Wright, Ali Danesh, Norma Goonen, Gail Burnaford (proxy for Soto), Deborah W. Shepherd

Guest: Barbara Ridener

1. The meeting was called to order by Deborah Floyd
2. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

3. Student Petitions Committee Report

The subcommittee report was presented by Dilys Schoorman. Seven petitions were considered.

CE – 2

CCEI- 2

EDLRM – 2

T&L – 1

Dilys Schoorman moved and Dianne Wright seconded that the subcommittee's recommendation be accepted. The motion passed.

4. Curriculum Committee Report

Linda Webb presented the report of the subcommittee.

EDF 6637 – Change in the catalog description was approved.

EDH 6621 – A new course in Educational Leadership.

Linda Webb moved and Dianne Wright seconded that the proposals be approved and sent forward to the university GPC. The motion passed.

Linda Webb reported that two other course proposals from CCEI were incomplete and were not being put forward to the committee of the whole. EDF 6615 needed to have a statement about the departments consulted in the cover sheet and a new course proposal needed a course number.

Proposals for two new degree programs from Teaching and Learning were presented for approval: M.Ed. in Educational Psychology, and the M. Ed. in Educational Technology. There was a clarification that these did not lead to certification. Linda Webb moved and Rangasamy Ramasamy seconded that the proposals be approved and moved to the university GPC. The motion passed.

Linda Webb presented two more proposals from the Department of Teaching and Learning for an M. Ed. in Secondary Education. She noted that feedback from CCEI stated that there were major overlaps that would have a significant impact on their program. After some discussion, Linda Webb moved that decision on these two proposals be postponed until dialogue between the two departments take place, with some

resolution before the proposals were brought back to the committee in Fall. The motion was seconded by Rangasamy Ramasamy. The motion passed with one member voting to oppose.

At this point, Deborah Floyd expressed gratitude on behalf of the GPC to Linda Webb for work as the chair of the curriculum subcommittee. Susannah Brown thanked Deborah Floyd for her service as chair of the GPC.

5. Two applications for Graduate Faculty Status were reviewed and approved.

Hanizah Zainuddin – Graduate Faculty Status A

Roberta Weber – Graduate Faculty Status A

6. The concern about summer and fall schedule (and the potential loss of enrollment) was discussed. The following motion was passed.

The Graduate Programs Committee of the College of Education recommends to the dean that she advocates for graduate programs, including optimizing graduate enrollment by:

- Allowing faculty to offer courses that they know that students need for timely progress towards graduation?*
- Allowing faculty to offer courses where there is known student demand in order to fulfill minimum enrollment requirements (24/11)*
- Ensuring that decisions for Fall be fast tracked to be respectful of faculty work schedules and students' concerns about degree completion and progress towards graduation*

7. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.