

GRADUATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 16, 2017

Meeting Location: 3007 Converse Hall

Present: Jennifer Beal-Alvarez, Luis Bejarano, Maren Clegg-Hyer, Phil Dybicz, Iris Ellis, Herb Fiester, Matthew Grant, Lee Grimes (for Serey Bright), Kelly Heckaman, Thomas Hochschild (for Anne Price), James LaPlant (presiding), Jim Loughry, Gerald Merwin, Linda Most (with proxy for C. Myers-Jennings), David Nelson, Michelle Ritter, Mel Schnake. Guests: Martha Laughlin, Sonya Sanderson, Samantha Hartman, Rebecca Petrella, Teresa Williams.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. James LaPlant at 2:03 PM.

Minutes from the January 26, 2017 meeting were approved.

College of Education & Human Services

Curriculum Change – MFT Program; Revised Catalog Copy (2): Martha Laughlin said that the curriculum change and one of the revised catalog copy requests adds two more SLOs for accreditation purposes. The second revised catalog copy request updates the program's meaning of probationary status, adding language to include dismissal after the first semester if a student earned a GPA below a 3.0. The same language should be included in the acceptance letter. The committee recommended that the language be changed from "may be dismissed" to "will be dismissed." Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved with changes.

Curriculum Change – EDS School Counseling (2); Revised Catalog Copy – EDS School Counseling (5):

Lee Grimes said that the proposals clean up some areas of the language, adding a course EDUC 5999, in keeping with other COEHS programs. The proposals also add a statement on proof of certification. This EDS program is not an initial certification program; it does not advance a pay level. The proposals also reword the grading for SCHC 8891 to U/S, and two old prerequisites are being removed from SCHC 8160 and PSYC 8200. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.

Revised Catalog Copy – MAT Spec Ed Deaf Ed; Curriculum Change – MAT Secondary Ed; Revised Courses – MSED 6010, 6020, 6200; New Courses – MSED 6021, 6201: Jennifer Beal-Alvarez said that the proposals correct typos in the narrative and adds two courses to the offerings. Students can choose 36 hours out of the offerings. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.

Revised Course – KSPE 7130: Sonya Sanderson said the proposal adds "Development" in the course title. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposal was approved.

Revised Catalog Copy – MLIS: Linda Most said that the proposal changes hours required to declare the Reference Track, students take 15 hours rather than 12. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.

Other Business

1. Provost's Search: The search committee had its first meeting. Parker Executive Search Group is involved. A job description is being created for announcement at the end of February.
2. 4 + 1 (Accelerated) Programs: We do not have to notify SACS about the program. It was also determined that Hope and Pell Grants can be used in these programs. Students have to take at least 21 graduate level hours for the degree. Graduate courses will not count toward the undergraduate GPA.
3. Summer Graduate Assistantships: A call for appointments is going out soon. The budget is favorable to fill most positions.
4. Marketing: As of this meeting, no word yet on marketing funds from Phil Allen's office. End-of-year funds can help in the interim.
5. Symposium Update: The graduate symposium is scheduled for Friday, April 21, with the GA of the Year ceremony held right before the symposium. It was a successful grouping of events last year. Nominations are due by March 3.
6. April 6 Forum: VSU and FSU are combining an event for recruiting purposes. FSU students are participating. Contact Michelle Jordan in the Graduate School for more information.

Motion was made to adjourn, seconded, at 3:00 pm.

Teresa Williams
Teresa Williams, Recorder

James T. LaPlant
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and Dean of the Graduate School