GRADUATE COUNCIL  
Minutes of the Meeting of January 16, 2014  
3:30 p.m., Room 207 of the Guillot University Center  

The Graduate Council met at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 16, 2014, in Room 207 of the Guillot University Center. Dr. Lee Renfroe, Chairperson, presided. The following members were present: Dr. Lynn Aquadro, Dr. Birdie Bailey, Mr. Brad Barnes, Mr. Ryan Caldwell, Dr. Melvin Davis, Dr. Francis Koti for Dr. Lisa Keys-Mathews, Dr. Donna Lefort, Dr. Sandra Loew, Dr. Jim Riser, and Dr. John Thornell. Attending as guests were: Jeff Bibbee, Russ Darracott, Vicky Hulsey, Jerri Bullard, Amber Paulk, Tom Coates, and Beth Sewell.

Approval of agenda

By consensus, an amended agenda was approved to move item #10 to #3.

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of September 19, 2013

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Aquadro seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the Graduate Faculty Application for Dr. Alejandra Alvarado-Brizuela, Dr. Bill Huddleston, and Ms. Kara Long (does not possess terminal degree but holds special expertise)

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Loew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of English for a new course: EN 535W

Dr. Loew moved approval and Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Biology for the addition of BI 200W or similar course as a prerequisite to BI 521 and 523

On motion by Dr. Riser and second by Dr. Aquadro, the item was tabled to the next meeting when someone could be in attendance to present the item and answer questions. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Elementary Education for revision of Class AA Education Program Checklist

Dr. Loew moved approval and Dr. Riser seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Secondary Education for a change of GPA admission requirement to International ESOL Master’s Program and addition of portfolio requirement to Teacher Leader – Class AA

Dr. Loew moved approval and Dr. Riser seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
Consideration of the request from the Department of Secondary Education for new courses: IL 700 and EDS 720, and deletion of courses: EDS 715 and EED 705, EED 709 and EED 715 from required courses under Teacher Leader program

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Loew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of HPER for a change in credit hours for HPE 695

Dr. Aquadro moved approval and Dr. Loew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of Sociology and Family Studies for the creation of a Master of Science program in Family Studies

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Aquadro seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. In order to add flexibility to the program, Dr. Bullard was encouraged to consider the following: add additional courses and/or work cooperatively with other departments to create split-level courses and/or add the following statement to one or more of the required graduate courses: “or advisor-approved graduate coursework.”

Consideration of the request from the Department of Sociology and Family Studies, as one package, for new course: FS 510; title and course description change for SO 510 to cross list with FS 510; new courses: FS 543 and crosslist with SO 543; FS 501 and crosslist with FS 401; FS 599 and crosslist with SO 599; FS 600; FS 601; FS 602; FS 604; FS 605 and cross list with SO 605; FS 606; FS 695; and FS 699

Dr. Riser moved approval and Dr. Loew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consideration of the request from the Department of History and Political Science to add $30 course fee to HI 571, HI 670, and HI 671

Dr. Loew moved approval and Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Upon motion by Dr. Riser and second by Dr. Loew, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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Lee Renfroe, Chairperson