**Counselor Education Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, April 26, 2018**

**4:30 p.m.**

Minutes provided by Martha Frances Graham.

**Present**: Quinn Pearson, Chair; Amy Davis, Sandra Loew, and Sarah Shell

**Purpose**: General Departmental Business

**Points of Discussion:**

* **Welcome**
* **Review and Approval of the Minutes from December 7, 2017.**
  + Motion to approve the minutes Dr. Loew, and second by Ms. Davis. Unanimously approved.
* **Update on School Counseling Program move to 60 credit hours**
  + The deadline has been moved from 2020 to 2023. Discussion about sending feedback to CACREP about this proposal included concerns regarding program marketability with 60-credit hours far exceeding ALSDE requirements and 33-36 credit-hour master’s degree requirements for other education programs. University of Alabama and UAB have already gone to the 60-hour program.
* **Accelerated Bachelor’s/Master’s Degree Program**
  + Students would have to be at the senior level with at least a 3.0 GPA. Once accepted, students could take CHD 600, 601, 602, 604, 621, or 615. All of these courses have no prerequisite.
  + We would be working with Psychology to recruit students into this program.
  + CACREP wants us to send a request that outlines what we are doing and ask for a board reading to get an opinion.
  + Discussion about the program.
  + These students would be reported in our FTE ratios.
  + CHD 601, 602, 604, 606, 615, 621were discussed as the best possible options that were good background courses and more accessible.
  + In the future we might want to consider Social Work, new Nursing Degree related to health.
* **Update on enrollment and recruitment**
  + School majors have stayed the same and we have had several students graduate.
  + Clinical Mental Health has increased.
  + Credit hour production has gone up.
  + Dr. Loew and Dr. Pearson have both been visiting UNA undergraduate classes to recruit.
  + We are working to get our recommendation form online in Recruit.
* **College and Department updates**
  + Dean Lefort is retiring. An interim should be appointed in early May.
  + Department faculty and staff changes were mentioned.
* Motion to adjourn Lauren Shell and a second by Amy Davis.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.