GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

January 18, 2007

Attending: Kurt Baker, Randall Brown, Diana Demetrulias, April Hejka-Ekins, Ann Kohlhaas, Mira Mayer, Peter Nelligan, Pamela Roe, Dennis Sayers, Margaret Tynan, Ramón Vega de Jesús, Shawna Young

Excused: Bret Carroll, Claudia Cortes, David Lindsay, Arnold Schmidt, Andrew Wagner

Ex-Officio: Carl Bengston, Carl Brown, Suzanne Burns

Guests: John Borba, Steven Graham, Dawn Poole, Ken Potts

Peter Nelligan called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

I. Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Shawna Young to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mira Mayer. The motion carried.

II. Approval of December 14, 2006 Minutes. A motion was made by Shawna Young to approve the December 14, 2006 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ramón Vega de Jesús. The motion carried.

III. Information.
   A. Proposing New Graduate Programs (Demetrulias) – Attachment #0607-3 revised. Deferred.
   B. Fee Waiver (Graham) – Attachment #0607-11. Steven Graham informed the Council that fee waiver allocations will be distributed for the 2007-2008 academic year at the end of January. Allocations will be based on the number of students in each program. Each program will receive at least one fee waiver. One additional fee waiver will be given for approximately every 40 students.

IV. Action.
   A. Research Misconduct Policy (S. Burns) – Attachment #0607-8 revised. A revised copy of the Research Misconduct Policy was distributed, during our last meeting. The Council was asked to review two changes made to the policy since its last review, and to provide feedback. A motion to recommend the Research Misconduct Policy, to RSCAPC as currently drafted was made by Shawna Young, and seconded by April Hejka-Ekins. The motion carried.
   B. Ed.D. Program Proposal (Borba) – Attachment #0607-9. John Borba introduced the proposed Ed.D. program in Instructional Leadership. Students will move through the 60-unit program in cohorts. The program will include a qualifying examination; nine core courses; additional coursework in one of two specific fields of specialization, P-12 Leadership and Community College Leadership; and completion of a dissertation. Dawn Poole provided a revised copy of financial resources and discussed modifications made since distribution of the original proposal. Several members of the Council expressed concern that the program would have sufficient resources to support faculty, students, and the Library. In order to devote additional time for review, of the course syllabi, discussion will continue during the February meeting.
V. Discussion.
   A. Commencement (Nelligan) – Attachment #0607-12. This year, the commencement ceremony will be divided into two events. The ceremonies will be held on Friday, June 1, 2007 and Saturday, June 2, 2007. Students will be split into two groups according to college. Steven Graham will notate the Council’s suggestions and report back to the Commencement committee.

VI. Reports
   A. Academic Senate Report (Nelligan). Deferred.
   B. Associated Students Report (Cortes). Deferred.
   C. Faculty Budget Advisory Committee Report—FBAC (Lindsay). Deferred.
   D. Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Policy Committee (Baker). Deferred
   E. Vice Provost (Demetrulias). Deferred.

VII. Announcements. There were no announcements.

Mira Mayer moved to adjourn the meeting; April Hejka-Ekins seconded the motion.
Peter Nelligan adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Raichelle Owens.