



## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS

GRADUATE SCHOOL

### GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

April 19, 2007

Attending: Kurt Baker, Randall Brown, David Colnick (for April Hejka-Ekins), Claudia Cortes, Ann Kohlhaas, David Lindsay, Peter Nelligan, Arnold Schmidt, Margaret Tynan, Shawna Young  
Excused: Bret Carroll, Diana Demetrulias, Mira Mayer, Pamela Roe, Dennis Sayers, Ramón Vega de Jesús, Andrew Wagner  
Ex-Officio: Carl Bengston, Carl Brown  
Guests: Steven Graham

Peter Nelligan called the meeting to order at 2:38 p.m.

- I. **Approval of Agenda.** The agenda was approved.
- II. **Approval of March 15, 2007 Minutes.** The minutes were approved contingent upon revisions to the Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Policy Committee.
- III. **Information.**
  - A. **English Proficiency Requirements (Graham) –Attachment #0607-19.** Steven Graham informed the Council about the "Internet-Based TOEFL", which is the latest method students can use to complete the University's TOEFL requirements. The Graduate School is recommending the catalog is updated to include this method and the minimum proficiency scores. Programs can continue to reserve the right to require a higher score. If recommended by the program coordinator and the college dean, the Associate Director of the Graduate School may waive the TOEFL requirement.
  - B. **Sample Proposal & Educational Objective Definitions (Demetrulias) –Attachment #0607-20.** Deferred.
- IV. **Action.**
  - A. **Course Proposal – HIST 5900 Graduate Studies –East Asian – Attachment #0607-24.** A motion was by Randall Brown to approve the proposal with the following language revision:
    1. Modify the language of the Student Learning Objectives to suggest that it can be measured.Arnold Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion carried.
  - B. **Course Proposal – EDCL 5610 Educational and Occupational Information – Attachment #0607-25.** The course is undergoing modifications based on state standards and program assessments. A motion was by Randall Brown to approve the course proposal. David Colnick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Council discussed modifying the current process in place for approving course proposals. It was suggested that courses with minor changes are reviewed by the Vice Provost's Office only. This will be discussed with the Vice Provost and addressed at a future meeting.

- C. **Course Proposal – EDCL 5780 Consultation and Supervision for School Counselors – Attachment #0607-26.** The course is undergoing modifications based on state standards and program assessments. A motion was by Randall Brown to approve the course proposal. David Colnick seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- D. **Course Proposal – EDCL 5930 School Counseling Practicum – Attachment #0607-27.** The course is undergoing modifications based on state standards and program assessments. A motion was by Randall Brown to approve the course proposal. David Colnick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. **Discussion.**

- A. **Composition of Thesis or Project Faculty Committee (Demetrulias) –Attachment #0607-21.** Deferred.
- B. **Changing Fee Waiver Calendar (Graham) –Attachment #0607-23.** The current Graduate Fee Waiver deadlines are being modified to provide programs additional time to select candidates. Any unused fee waivers will be recycled after December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- C. **Comprehensive Examination 7006 Course (Graham) – Attachment #0607-22.** As agreed upon in last month's meeting, the Associate Director of the Graduate School, and those departments who offer comp exams met and discussed the Continuous Enrollment Policy and how it affects those students taking comp exams. The parties agreed that comp students should pay a lower fee ranging from \$10-25, and be required to enroll in 7006 for the term in which the comp exam is taken. The item will be moved to an action item for next month's meeting.

VI. **Reports**

- A. **Academic Senate Report (Nelligan).** The Academic Senate is currently acting on Research Misconduct, Strategic Planning and Intellectual Property policies and plans.
- B. **Associated Students Report (Cortes).** ASI has been engaged in election activities. Some members went to the California Higher Education Student Summer Workshop to lobby with the legislature. In addition, ASI members participated in the DreamWorks Workshops to support education rights for immigrants.
- C. **Faculty Budget Advisory Committee Report –FBAC (Lindsay).** Deferred.
- D. **Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Policy Committee (Baker).** The committee is currently working on Research Misconduct and Intellectual Property policies and plans.
- E. **Vice Provost (Demetrulias).** Deferred.

VII. **Announcements.** There were no announcements.

Randall Brown moved to adjourn the meeting; Shawna Young seconded the motion.

Peter Nelligan adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Raichelle Owens.