MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE

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Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), J. Marshall, R. Raeisi, P. Trueblood, M. Lopez, D. Vera, T. Skeen, A. Nambiar

Members Absent: S. Tracz (excused)

Guests: Dr. Steven Pao, Chair and Dr. Erin Dormedy, Graduate Program Coordinator from Food Science and Nutrition

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:00 p.m. in TA #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the minutes of January 27, 2015

2. Agenda. MSC to approve the agenda as distributed.

3. Communications and Announcements.

Chair Wilson stated that we would review catalog and curricular changes for MA in English in our next week meeting.

Dr. Marshall said in a couple of weeks after we identify the Institutional Learning Outcomes for graduate programs, we will ask Dr. Dennis Nef thoughts on them. He also said that the date for Graduate Research Symposium stays the same (May 7, 2015) and the resolution on TA tuition waivers has not yet been presented to the Academic Senate.

Dr. Lopez acknowledged participation of UGC members in the pilot of the survey for the new Graduate Net Title V grant.

4. Drs. Steven Pao and Erin Dormedy joined the committee at 2:15 to discuss the current status of their M.S. Program.

 Dr. Dormedy briefly informed the committee about the current status of the M.S. program in Food Science and Nutrition department. She addressed the concerns that were raised by the Program Review team and the UGC in 2010. She stated that due to new leadership, a current faculty search, increased release time, new research grant, new research facilities, and streamlined administrative design, faculty in Food Science and Nutrition now are ready to open admission to M.S. program in Food Science and Nutrition.

5. The University Graduate Committee members were convinced that now the Food Science and Nutrition M.S. Program has the resources needed for admitting new students. However, the committee requested that Dr. Dormedy provide documentation on the fulfillment of deficiencies that resulted in suspension of the program. Upon the receipt of documentations, the University Graduate Committee will determine whether to recommend reinstatement of the M.S. program in Food Science and Nutrition.

1. Drs. Dormedy and Pao left at 2:45
2. MSC: to adjourn at 2:50 pm

The next scheduled meeting for the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 2 pm in TA 117.

Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of 2/17/15.

2. Approval of the Agenda.

3. Communications and Announcement

4. Catalog review and curricular changes for MA in English.

5. Institutional Learning Outcomes: Graduate level – continued discussion