MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO 5240 N. Jackson Avenue, M/S UC 43 Fresno, California 93740-8023

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April 24, 2007

Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, T. Dull,

G. Kriehn, M. Perez, D. Dickerson, T. Skeen.

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: S. Okamoto.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:15 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of April 17, 2007.

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

- 3. Communications and Announcements.
  - a. Requests for Graduate Record Examination (GRE) op-out were distributed for Nursing, English and Kinesiology.
  - b. Dean Dickerson invited programs to participate in the Graduate Expo and reception scheduled for Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m.
  - c. The Graduate Committee congratulates Professor Connie Hales recipient of the Provost Award for Graduate Teaching and Mentoring.
  - d. The Graduate Committee congratulates the Kremen School of Education for receiving approval for their doctoral program in Educational Leadership.
- 4. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Opt-Out Requests.
  - a. Review of the Department of Linguistics request for a twoyear suspension of the use of the GRE beginning in Fall 2008. The committee requests a re-submission of the

application no later than May 8, 2007 including the department's decision to require GPA, statement of purpose, and two letters of recommendation as part of their admission requirement.

- b. Review of the KSOEDH request for a two-year suspension of the use of GRE beginning in Fall 2008. The committee requests a re-submission of the application no later than May 8, 2007 addressing the following items:
  - The committee requests uniformity in the admission requirements for the MA in Administration and Supervision, Curriculum and Instruction, Early Childhood Education, and Reading/Language options.
  - The committee recommends inserting the words "or equivalent" following the listing of ERA 153 Educational statistics course as an admission requirement to the MA in Special Education.
  - The committee recommends inserting the words "or equivalent" following the listing of ERA 153
     Educational statistics, COUN 176 Counseling and Mental Health, and COUN 174 or PSYCH 174
     Introduction to counseling courses as an admission requirement to the MS in Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy and the MS in Counseling and Student Services.
  - No recommendation is made in regard to the admission requirements for the MA in Teaching.
  - The committee recommends inserting the words "or equivalent" following the listing of ERA 153 Educational statistics, COUN 176 Counseling and Mental Health, and COUN 174 or PSYCH 174 Introduction to counseling courses as an admission requirement to the MS in Rehabilitation Counseling.
- c. Review of the application to exempt the MFA in Creative Writing program from using a standardized test as part of their admissions.
  - MSC to approve the request for suspension of the GRE for two years and recommend that the information be included in the University Catalog.

d. Review of the Department of Kinesiology request for a twoyear suspension of the use of GRE beginning in Fall 2008.

MSC to approve the request and recommend that the information be included in the University Catalog.

MSC to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, May 1, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

## Agenda.

- 1. Approval of Minutes of 4/24/07.
- 2. Approval of Agenda.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.
- 4. Review of Programs Requesting GRE "Opt Out".
  - a. Music: Teresa Beaman & Tom Hiebert Time Certain: 2:40.
  - b. English Document.
  - c. Nursing Programs.
  - d. Chemistry Program