MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO 5240 N. JACKSON AVENUE, M/S UC43 Fresno, California 93740-8023

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Members Present: M. Perez (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, T. Dull, G. Kriehn, T. Skeen, Z. Wang, M. Wilson (for D. Dickerson).

Members Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Perez at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203

- 1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 9/18/07.
- 2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.

None.

4. Spanish Petition to Wave Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Scores.

Discussion ensued regarding the Spanish Department's Request to waive GRE Scores.

The Graduate Committee requests clarification of the criteria used to determine a student's application (for instance, more specifics on the writing sample—is the sample in English or Spanish?; and any additional requirements).

5. Graduate Student Petitions Committee Policies & Procedures (APM 248)- Policy Revision.

(Sections in italics represent new text.)

MSC to change section E of APM 248 to read:

- E. The committee will have the option to grant a *separate* hearing to any of the parties to the dispute not to exceed 20 minutes.
- 1. The presentation must be restricted to material contained in documentation.
- 2. Any of the parties to the dispute may bring witnesses.

3. Students or *any of the parties to the dispute* may not be represented by legal counsel.

MSC to adjourn at 2:25 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

Agenda:

- 1. Approval of Minutes 9/25/07.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.
- 4. Interdisciplinary Program Joel Pickford 2:20 Time Certain.
- 5. Interdisciplinary program Robert Koons 2:40 Time Certain.
- 6. Graduate Committee Annual Report 2006-2007.