MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO 5241 N. Maple, M/S TA 43 Fresno, California 93740-8027 Office of the Academic Senate Ext. 8-2743

September 21, 2010

Members Present:	M. Wilson (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, K. Carey, N. P. Mahalik, S. Skelton, M. Stevens, R. Yazdipour.
Member Absent:	None.
Visitors:	A. Black and Dr. Alex Espinoza.

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

- 1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 9/14/2010.
- 2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.
 - A. Dean Carey noted the meeting of the campus-wide faculty group that is discussing Masters projects. Proposed guidelines will be brought to the UGC.
 - B. Chair Wilson mentioned discussion of the 0 units for GS299 will be placed on a future agenda.
 - C. No UGC meeting on October 5th (Chair).
- 4. Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee Member Nomination.
 - MSC to approve the appointment of Dr. Kristi Eastin, Arts and Humanities as the member of the Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee.
- 5. Interdisciplinary Program of Study Proposal. Time certain: 2:20

Visitors: A. Black and Dr. Alex Espinoza.

Chair Wilson asked the members and visitors to introduce themselves. Chair asked the applicant about her MA interdisciplinary proposal and study plan. Applicant Black narrated her background and justified that some of the courses offered in various departments at CSU Fresno will fit to her career goal requirements. Discussion took place around two points (i) the reason of taking several 100 level curses totaling 34 units, (ii) evidence of writing requirements. Committee suggested using 290 (Independent Study) as a course to meet the writing requirements. Members also suggested her past mentors and instructors (from FCC and FPU) could serve as the thesis committee members in her proposed interdisciplinary study.

- MSC to approve the application of Alyssa Black, with minor changes in the proposal, for pursuing interdisciplinary study for MA in Creative Dance and Written Narratives.
- 6. Review of Food Science and Nutrition M.S. Program.

The committee carefully reviewed the program review documents of the MS program in Food and Nutritional Sciences of the department of Food Science and Nutrition. The discussion included student recruitments, faculty, outcome assessment, and administrative support.

A memo and recommendations will be forwarded to the Department, Dean, and Provost.

MSC to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee will be Tuesday, September 28, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in Thomas #117.

Agenda

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of 9/21/10.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.
- 4. Program Review: Biotechnology. Time Certain: 2:20 p.m.