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

August 30, 2011

Members Present:	M. Wilson, Chair; S. Brown-Welty; R. Raesi; M. Stevens; P. Trueblood; Toni Wein, R. Yazdipour, N.P. Mahalik.
Members Absent:	None
Visitors:	None

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

- 1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 5/10/2011.
- 2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as submitted.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.

We welcomed Peggy Trueblood to the committee.

Dr. Brown-Welty announced that the Curriculum committee had met to approve the change in the numbering system used by the Department of Nursing. The nursing doctoral program changed the numbers to 500 series to be compatible with CSU system numbers for nursing doctoral courses.

4. Program Review: Rehabilitation Counseling at 2:20 p.m.

Discussion of future projects. Dr. Brown-Welty passed around a list that she had constructed in consultation with Dr. Wilson over the summer, proposing a number of issues that the committee needs to address this year.

- 5. MSC to move into Executive committee at 2:26 p.m. Motion to approve the nomination of Dr. Toni Dupont-Morales to serve on the Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee for Fall 2011. MSC to move out of Executive session at 2:28 p.m.
- 6. MSC to accept the recommendation of the Department of Biology to discontinue the Professional Science Master's in Forensic Science due to staffing shortfalls.

- 7. Dr. Brown-Welty distributed a draft to implement a policy for Posthumous Degree awards. It was communally decided to combine sections B 3 and 4, and to add a sentence to the beginning clarifying past versus present policy. Second reading is scheduled for next week.
- 8. Our final discussion concerned the zero units policy. Plans are to create blanket numbers for all departments/programs offering a project or thesis as the culminating event. This would be approved by the Graduate Course and Curriculum Committee and then adopted by departments, such as Eng. 299c if a student were completing a thesis or CDDS 298c for projects.
- 9. MSC Motion to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting for the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, September 6th in TA 117.

Agenda

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of 8/30/11.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.
- 3. Communications and Announcements.
- 4. Appointment of representative from Kremen School of Education to Graduate Course and Curriculum Subcommittee.
- 5. Posthumous degree policy second reading.
- 6. Continuous thesis and project enrollment policy update.
- 7. Development of policy on blended courses.