Minutes Recorded By: Venesha Rosseau

Members in Attendance: Heredia; Alexander, Brostrand, Carinci, Cowan, Deaner, Gonsier-Gerdin, Gonzalez (A), Goodwin, Holland, Liles, Lozano, Mejorado, Nevarez, and Noel

I. Approval of the Agenda: Holland motions to approve with the following changes: Approval of the “March” Minutes. Seconded by Noel. All Approved. Motion passes.

II. Approval of the March Minutes: Dr. Gonzalez (A) motions to approve with the following change: change the spelling of Dr. Amber Gonzalez’s name. Seconded by Dr. Carinci. Motion passes.

III. Consent Items: Dr. Alexander motions to move Consent Item #1 & #2 to Action Items for discussion. Seconded by Dr. Liles. Motion Passes.

Consent Item #3: Change the name of the college human subjects/IRB committee to the College Research Review Committee (CRRC). This motion is consistent with the recent memo from the university IRB requesting that college/department committees change their names in compliance with federal assurance guidelines.

IV. Action Items: Approval of Forms As for the New MA Pathway

Form A: EDGR 210 (formerly EDGR 210A) Contemporary Issues in Education
Form A: EDGR 211 (formerly EDGR 210B) Contemporary Issues in Education

Discussion: At a future date a name will be assigned to the new MA pathway. Currently it reflects the structure of C&I, which allows for 3 electives. EDGR 210, 211 and 220 are the three required electives for the first cohort. These courses are open to all MA students within the college.

Motions to approve Form A: EDGR 210 (Dr. Holland) with the following changes: On page 2, under For whom is this course being developed eliminate “emphasis on Educational Change”. Seconded by Dr. Mejorado. One abstention. Motion passes.

Motions to approve Form A: EDGR 211 (Dr. Noel) with the following changes: On page 2, under For whom is this course being developed eliminate “emphasis on Educational Change”. Seconded by Dr. Lozano. One abstention. Motion passes.
V. Chair Updates:

Fall 2015 Admissions
GPSE’s admission numbers are slightly higher in comparison to last year and a few programs have requested to admit more students than anticipated. Most programs have completed the interview process and students have received their informal recommendations for admissions. It was suggested that program areas be more involved in determining the final enrollment cap. Additionally, GPSE should consider developing a standardized interview process since some programs do not conduct face-to-face interviews nor do they require a writing sample to be completed at the time of the interview. Some programs use the candidate Statement of Purpose to assess candidate writing skills.

NOTE: After interviews, send all rankings to AERO (Kathe Goodwin, goodwink@csus.edu) in an email (remember to cc Don Nahhas, nahhasd@csus.edu) preferably by April 30, so GARS can be sent over to Graduate Studies.

VI. Additional Updates:

Counselor Education
• Last interview for new faculty position (SCHOOL) is on April 8.
• Approved for a second new faculty position due to a resignation in January.
• Search committee hopes to identify the second candidate for hire from among the existing pool.

Child Development
• Application period for new faculty position has closed. Interviews to commence next week.

Doctorate Program
• Application period for new faculty position has closed. Currently reviewing applications.
• Fall 2015 admission numbers are strong (20-25 candidates).

SSOAR Committee
• Looking for new members to help with the review of scholarship applications. Training session on April 16 at 1:30pm.
• Developing a college graduate Graduation with Distinction Policy.

Graduate Coordinator
• University wide discussions continue regarding the GWAR. One proposal is for graduate programs to infuse GWI courses into their programs/curriculum and build in a process where students would demonstrate their level of writing proficiency at the initial stage of their program and at the end (Admissions to Advancement). This process would eliminate the need for the WPG exam.
• Propose to make EDGR 260 an elective course available to all MA students in the college as opposed to specific programs.
• Graduate Fair is this week in the Redwood Room, University Union.

Faculty Senate
• Dr. Lilly was elected to represent GPSE for 2015/16 and Dr. Holland for 2015-17 with Dr. Noel as a 2015-17 alternate. GPSE is in need of another alternate for 2015/16.
• Provost Research Incentive Grant only awards faculty whose proposal request is $15K. This stipulation is disappointing for some faculty and hopefully will change.
• Textbook selections are due to the Bookstore by April 30 per the Higher Education Opportunity Act.
  Recommendation: Use agreed upon textbooks per course to eliminate confusion among part-time instructions and students. This practice allows the bookstore to process textbook orders without the assignment of faculty.
• Check the faculty senate website for the Faculty Office Hours policy, Student Excused Absence policy and Last Week of Instruction policy.

ERI Committee
• Following the College-Wide meeting on May 7 (2:30-5pm), ERI will host a reception/poster session, “A Celebration of CoE Faculty and Staff Contributions through Research, Grants and Publications.”

VII. Next Meeting: May 5, 2015, 1:15-2:45pm

Meeting Adjourned: 2:45pm