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SPECIAL GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
WILHELMINA F. DELCO BUILDING, ROOM 209
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2008

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

Dr. Parker called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

II. Items for approval

A. Course Inventory Updates

- College of Education (Dr. Lucian Yates and Dr. Pamela Barber-Freeman)

Cross-List Counseling Educational Research
(CNSL) 5163 and Administration Educational
Research (ADMN 5163)

Dr. Pamela Barber-Freeman presented the proposed update. After questions by the committee, Dr. Parker asked for approval by saying I. All committee members agreed that this would be an effective addition to the course inventory.

B. Substantive Changes

- College of Education (Dr. Lucian Yates and Dr. Pamela Barber-Freeman)

Online Masters of Education Administration (MED)
Online Masters of Counseling (MA)

Dr. Barber-Freeman presented the concept of this on-line program. Dr. Pelphrey, who was in attendance representing Dr. Yates, gave a brief statement on the support that this program has from the Dean's office. After

several questions from the Council regarding the training of instructors for the teaching of online courses, Dr. Barber-Freeman responded that all faculty in her department would be required to train for this teaching procedure.

Dr. Kelley made a motion to accept the proposal and Stephen Shaw seconded

III. Other Items for Discussion

- TOEFL (Dr. Munir Quddus)

Dr. Quddus brought up the fact that not all of the International Students that apply for admission are in need of TOEFL. Some students are very fluent in the English language and have no problem communicating and understanding English. He asked that the Council make provisions for these students.

Dr. McFrazier reminded the Council that any requirement changes have to be published in the Graduate Catalog. The 2009/2010 catalog is in the process of being completed. This catalog will be in hard copy as well as downloadable from the internet.

Dr. Adams asked that a task force be established to discuss any TOEFL changes before implementing. She reminded the Council that Nursing students must have TOEFL scores on file in order to be licensed by the State of Texas.

IV. Echoes (Dr. Michael McFrazier)

Dr. McFrazier gave the Council a "heads up" on the Faculty/Staff conference. This academic year the conference will be held in a hotel in Houston in order to alleviate any interruptions and temptations to return

to offices during the conference. At the same time, each office should be manned to assist students. Any faculty or staff member not able to attend will be able to watch this via the internet.

V. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.