University Graduate Committee
Minutes

December 9, 2013

A. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Clara Downey, at 2:00 p.m.

B. Attendance

In attendance at the meeting were the following Graduate Committee members:
Dr. Terry Overton, College of Education; Dr. Constance Hayes, College of Nursing; Dr. Clara Downey-Adams, School of Business; Dr. Bernardo de la Garza, College of Liberal Arts, Dr. Charles Lackey, Dean of Graduate Studies, Ms. Perla Martinez, Office of Graduate Studies

Guests: Dr. Jaime Garcia, Dr. Hsuying Ward, Dr. Alejandro Garcia, College of Education; Dr. Christopher Carmona, College of Liberal Arts

C. Approval of Minutes for November 18, 2013

The minutes of the November 18, 2013 meeting were approved. Motion by Dr. Constance Hayes and seconded by Terry Overton.

D. Old Business

1. College of Liberal Arts

PAR – MA in English – 2nd reading – Approved. Motion by Dr. Terry Overton and seconded by Dr. Constance Hayes.

Dr. Christopher Carmona presented the PAR for the English Department. As requested at the first reading, the revised program flyer was submitted.

2. College of Education

PAR – M.Ed. in Special Education – Program Revision – 2nd reading – Approved Motion by Dr. Constance Hayes and seconded by Dr. Terry Overton

PAR – M.Ed in Educational Leadership – Superintendent Certification Program – Program Revision – 2nd reading. Approved. Motion by Dr. Constance Hayes and seconded by Dr. Terry Overton.

E. New Business

1. College of Education

PAR – Technology Leadership In Education Certificate – New Program - Tabled, due to lack of representation from the program.

PAR- M.Ed. in Bilingual Education – Program Revision - Tabled, due to lack of representation from the program.
PAR – Ed. D. in Curriculum and Instruction – Program Revision - Tabled, due to lack of representation from the program.

CAR - EDCI 7336 – New Course - Tabled, due to lack of representation from the program.

CAR – BILC 6365 – New Course - Tabled, due to lack of representation from the program.

F. Dean’s Report

Dr. Lackey shared his recent experience at several sessions of the Council of Graduate Schools Annual Conference, including presentations on interdisciplinary graduate programs, on social media, MOOCS, data tracking of graduate students, and affirmative action. Mr. Erwin Chemerinsky, Dean, School of Law, UC-Irvine, who is one of the leading authorities on affirmative action, advised graduate deans that the state of current law and Supreme Court interpretation suggests that universities’ strategy for affirmative action should be one that does not establish formal criteria for admission or scholarship, but that universities should pursue affirmative action objectives until the Court rules otherwise.

Dr. Lackey advised the Committee that graduate enrollment in 2013-2014 is being offset by a significant increase in graduation numbers for graduate degrees. He indicated that enrollment for most graduate programs is down from previous years, except for graduate programs with new cohorts, including English, Mathematics, Biological Sciences, Bilingual Education, and Nursing.

G. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.