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October 10, 2017

Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), J. Marshall, S. Tracz, S. Church, M. Lopez, N. Mahalik,

Members Excused: N. Wang

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in TA 117.

I. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of October 3, 2017 as corrected.

II. Agenda: MSC to approve the agenda.

III. Communications and Announcements

- Dean Marshall asked if the Committee would like to approve the change in the GWR that the Counseling department has submitted. Committee agreed to review this.
- Dean Marshall reported that he is expecting to receive a couple of new programs proposals: a new face to face program in Construction Management and a proposal to convert a face to face program to fully online in Special Education and possibly in Public Health.
- Dean Marshall communicated that the Division of Research and Graduate Studies has announced the call for the Claude C. Laval Jr. Award for Innovative Technology and Research. The award amount and the deadline are \$5K and November 15, 2017, respectively.
- Chair Wilson communicated future meeting agendas as follows.
 - October 17, 2017: Time certain for M.A. in Spanish. Meet with Spanish Program Coordinator, Department Chair, College Dean and Associate Dean (Arts and Humanities).
 - October 24, 2017: (a) Discussion of recommendations for M.A. in Spanish; (b) MPA program review and preparation (abbreviated).
 - November 7, 2017: MPA team visit to discuss Program Review.

- January 2018: Physical Therapy Program Review (abbreviated).

IV. Discussion of recommendations for M.S. in Plant Science

Committee members discussed points highlighted from October 3 minutes: intense faculty mentorship, students going for PhD study, updated SOAP, need for more faculty, recent impacts concerning international student enrollment, need for more tuition waivers, and program research connections with USDA-ARS at Parlier. Chair Wilson will incorporate discussion points as strengths in the Memo.

Committee MSC: "Recommendation to Approve a Program with Notation of Exceptional Quality".

V. Preparation for program review with M.A. in Spanish.

Program review discussion of M.A. in Spanish with the guests will be in the next UGC meeting (Oct. 17th).

VI. MSC to adjourn at 2:45 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the University Graduate Committee is Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in TA 117.

Agenda

1. Approval of the October 10, 2017 Minutes
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Communications and Announcements
4. Program Review for M.A. in Spanish: 2:20.