

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE  
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February 14, 2017

Members Present: T. Skeen (Chair), J. Marshall, R. Raeisi, M. Lopez, S. Tracz, N. Mahalik, M. Wilson, P. Trueblood

Members Excused: N/A

Guests: N/A

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

I. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of February 7, 2017 as amended.

II. Agenda:

1. Approval of the 2/7/2017 Minutes
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Communications and Announcements
4. Discussion of M.A. Special Education Program Review

MSC to approve today's Agenda

III. Communications and Announcements

- Dean Marshall mentioned that the next Graduate Coordinator's Breakfast meeting is on Thursday, Feb. 16 at 8:00 a.m. in the Vintage Room.
- Dean Marshall communicated that the Central CA Research Symposium is on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Members suggested to have a Graduate Faculty Listserv for better communication about the Symposium; Dean Marshall agreed to explore that possibility.

IV. Discussion of M.A. Special Education Program Review

Members discussed the Program Review of M.A. in Special Education.

MSC to recommend (1) Recommendation to Approve a Program with the Notation of Exceptional Quality.

Members recommended the following points to include in the Memo to be sent to the Department of Special Education by Chair Skeen.

1. Improve recruitment
2. Work closely with the *Graduate Net Initiative* to develop online courses
3. Test the demand and viability of a fully online program in the future
4. Continue to improve the assessment of employers' satisfaction with Special Education graduates (not the Credential) and incorporate the results into the SOAP

V. MSC to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the University Graduate Committee is Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in TA 117.

Agenda for the next meeting:

1. Approval of the 2/14 Minutes
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Communications and Announcements
4. Discussion of the abbreviated program review process