

College of Education (COE) Graduate Programs Committee (GPC)

**Meeting Minutes**

September 21, 2022

**Call to order:** The COE-GPC meeting was called to order via Zoom Video-conferencing at 1:05 pm on September 21, 2022.

**In Attendance:** Paul Peluso (CE, Chair of GPC), Victoria Brown (T&L), Ali Danesh (CSD), Sharon Darling (DSE, Kelly Emelianchik-Key (CE), Lisa Finnegan (DSE), Caitlin Imgrund (CSD), Bianca Nightengale-Lee (C&I), Sabrina Sembiante (C&I), Deborah Shepherd (Dean's Representative), Jarrett Warshaw (ELRM), and Cristobal Salinas to explain and respond to question on program changes.

1. **Roll Call and Convening Announcements.** Welcome extended by Paul P., COE-GPC Chair. **Minutes Approval.** Motion to approve the September 21, 2022 minutes made by Lisa F., seconded by Sabrina S. Unanimously approved.
2. **Recorder for Minutes.** Recorder role for the COE GPC rotates among the committee members. Lisa F. volunteered to take this meeting's minutes.
3. **Curriculum Committee Report and Recommendations** (presented by Paul P.). Curriculum Sub-committee reviewed the following curriculum requests from the DSE: (a) Changes to the Masters core in Special Education consisting of 3 course changes and the creation of two new courses. On new course in Educational Leadership, Policy, and Ethics is under review for a title change request by ELRM. (b) ELRM submitted a new combined degree program request to enable students to enhance any major with 16 credit hours focused in leadership. Courses of the program removed pre-requisites. Motion (& Second) to accept the subcommittee's recommendations, made by Paul P., Curriculum Subcommittee Chair, to approve all changes. Motion unanimously approved.
4. **Student Petitions Committee Report and Recommendations** (presented by Sharon D.). Petitions Sub-committee reviewed 8 petitions from three departments: CE submitted one petition (request to withdraw from one course), C&I submitted three petitions (waive recency of credits, waive admission process to switch programs, request for non-continuous enrollment); EDLRM submitted two petitions (1 Request for leave of absence, 1 waive residency). Motion (& Second) to accept the subcommittee's recommendations, made by Sharon D., Petitions Subcommittee Chair, to approve all petitions. Motion unanimously approved.
5. **University Graduate Council (UGC)/University Graduate Programs Committee (UGPC) Updates** (presented by Paul P.). A special call for a meeting for the proposed Dental Health. UGC and UGPC are being asked to review curricula and budget. Special faculty forum will be held next Friday and then will move on to the legislative level next.
6. **Other Business.**  
Announcements: (a) The BOG put forward draft language to align new law on sustained performance evaluation (SPE). There will be likely be changes to SPE to be aware of. Specific mention has been made to compliance with state laws related to indoctrination. The process does not appear to be peer or faculty led and final sign off is with the BOT. Unsatisfactory SPE can lead to termination. The Dean is providing feedback as

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well as faculty senate. It is something we must pay attention to as faculty. Faculty collective voice should be heard and can be powerful. Please be sure to keep an eye of for an email on providing feedback.; (b) In January, Stacy Volnick will be FAU's interim President. She defends her dissertation in October.

7. **Adjourn:** Sharon D. moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Ali D. meeting adjourned at 1:44pm.