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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of September 08, 2014 meeting

Members Present

Steven Collins, Lucretia Cooney, Paul Dombrowski, Steven Ebert, Linda Gibson-Young, Jana Jasinski, Charles Kelliher, Joyce Nutta, Terrie Sypolt, Art Weeks

Recorder

Rhonda Nelson

Guests Present

Linda Sullivan, Richard Pepler, Susan Chase, Rose Taylor

Staff Members

Debra Winter, Barbara Rodriguez

Welcome and call to order. Dr. Kelliher, sub for Chair Deborah Breiter, welcomed the guests. Introductions followed. Dr. Kelliher provided a summary of the responsibilities of this committee. Rhonda shared a demo of the Graduate Council Curriculum website. The committee member list is located on the website. Agendas and handouts of the upcoming meeting will be posted on the website before each meeting. Meeting minutes are posted following the meetings.

Proxy voting. Proxy voting was discussed. The members were generally opposed to having proxy votes and voted against this procedure. Members may join the meeting via teleconference if they are not available to come to the meeting in person.

Name change to the MSN Adult-Gero Nurse Practitioner track - CON

Name change to the DNP Adult-Gero Nurse Practitioner track – CON

Name change to the Adult-Gero graduate certificate – CON

Dr. Susan Chase gave a summary of the name change to the Adult-Gero Nurse Practitioner tracks and certificate; i.e., MSN, DNP, and graduate certificate. Due to changes in the Adult Nurse Practitioner (ANP) board certification examination offered by two national credentialing bodies—the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP), the name has been changed for certification purposes. The certifying body now recognizes the new name of Adult-Gero *Primary Care* Nurse Practitioner. The College of Nursing has requested that this change apply to students that are currently in the program, along with new students just beginning the program. These name change requests received unanimous approval from the committee.

MD/PhD track in Biomedical Sciences – COM. Dr. Steven Ebert provided a summary of this new track. This track will provide an opportunity for qualified students to jointly earn an MD and a PhD in Biomedical Sciences. The MD program and the Biomedical Sciences PhD program already exist. Dr. Jasinski discussed this new track with Institutional Knowledge Management. She reported that since both programs are already in place that no additional approvals will be needed from the BOT or BOG for this new track. A question was raised regarding financial aid. The curriculum was discussed and Dr. Ebert shared a chart indicating the comparison of the MD track and PhD and which courses would be shared. A question was also raised on how students would be counted in these two programs. Dr. Ebert indicated that there would be two separate admissions. A question was raised on whether the students would start the MD program first or the PhD. The policy that students could not be out for 3 consecutive semesters was discussed. A plan would need to be put in place to avoid this. Dr. Ebert will work out the logistics on this with Graduate Studies so that everything will run efficiently. Dr. Pepler also answered various questions regarding this new track. This request received unanimous approval from the committee.

Courses and special topics. To review a list of approved courses, please see the attached course minutes.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for September 29.

