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## PROGRAM REVIEW AND AWARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

### Minutes of November 18, 2011 meeting

#### Members Present

Patricia Bishop, Michael Caputo, Debopam Chakrabarti, Barbara Ehren, Ahmad Elshennawy, Rich Gause, Patrick LiKamWa, Mary Little, Cheyenne Ro, Michael Stern, Diane Wink

#### Guests Present

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### Minutes Graduate Council Program Review Committee

November 18, 2011

9 AM, TA 420B

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**Members not present:** John Shafer, Harry Weger

**Recorder:** Tara Johnson

**Welcome and call to order:** Dr. Mary Little called the meeting to order and a quorum was established. The minutes from November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed and approved by the committee.

**Consideration of the Hospitality Management Ph.D. Proposal:** Dr. Bishop went over the process of the program proposal and discussed that if this proposal were approved by the committee it would then go forward to the BOT meeting and then get looked at three times by the BOG. It would then most likely have the final approval next September by the BOG.

Dr. Youcheng Wang shared some background information with the committee and presented an overview of the proposed program. Currently, hospitality management is a track in the Education Ph.D. program and the need for a standalone Hospitality Management Ph.D. program has grown. Dr. Wang shared that they believe this program will attract stronger applicants, is aligned with UCF strategic goals and will not require additional resources. The discussion was then opened up to the committee and members had a chance to ask question and give feedback on anything that would strengthen the proposal.

The committee then analyzed the proposal according to the eight criteria set out by the Board of Governors of the State University System. Each criterion was discussed amongst the committee and then voted on with a measure of *met with strength*, *met*, *met with weakness*, or *unmet*. The committee suggested that additional clarification added to the following areas would address the committee's concerns: explanation of accreditation discontinuation, inclusion of admissions selectivity numbers, explanation concerning adequate number of faculty, inclusion of the MOU with COHPA explaining the cost impact of the COHPA methods courses, addition of language about C&G projections, and the anticipation of growth in undergraduate research through synergy with the Ph.D. program.

Overall, the committee felt that the proposal was strong and unanimously voted that the proposal move forward with recommended revisions.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

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