

Minutes 10-12-08

In attendance: Zenaida Aguirre Muños, Lee Dumer, Annette Smith, Tara Stevens, Gerald Parr, Doug Simpson, Peggie Price – Members; Sally McMillan, Walter Smith – Non members

Minutes were read and Tara moved we approve the minutes, seconded by Annette, Approved by all.

Zenaida opened old business of the Course approval of EDCI 5386 course:

Discussion ensued concerning the idea of duplication of the courses. Lee indicated that the one course really duplicates the 3 courses in qualitative course. Gerald Parr asked a number of questions dealing with duplication. Doug indicated that the course was not meant to replace the core courses, but just an addition to the course offerings. Annette Smith spoke of her involvement in the course and her change in ideas of her dissertation research.

Gerry suggested that we utilize the course as an elective course rather than as a substitute for a core course. Walter indicated that it might change the focus of C&I doctoral dissertation.

Zenaida asked that Dr. Duemer explain where the areas of duplication might be.

Doug S. had to leave the meeting to go to a meeting with the President. He did indicate that at the point of voting the meeting needs to be a closed meeting and guests need to be excused.

Zenaida indicated that not all people have copies of the other syllabi of EPSY 5382, 6304, & 6305. And it would be hard to make the distinction.

More discussion ensued between all parties. There was discussion about the viability of creating a research program (possibly EDUC) so that people from both departments could teach research.

It was agreed that syllabi and templates from EPSY 5382, 6304, and 6305 would be sent to the members of the committee to investigate the ideas of duplication and we come back ready to vote on the course at the November meeting.

Course approval process was addressed. A proposed procedure for reviewing and approving new topics for seminar or special topics courses was presented and read by Doug Simpson and Zenaida Aguirre-Munoz. Discussion ensued concerning clarification of the document. William volunteered to check with the graduate school as to the designation/difference of a seminar vs. a special topics course. Lee clarified that the proposal, as originally presented was to deal only with special topics or seminar courses. It was agreed that the document would be carefully wordsmithed and presented to the committee at the next meeting.

It was moved by Gerald Parr that the certificate program (as presented by Walter Smith) be approved by this committee. Seconded by Peggie Price. It was approved by the committee.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation.