GRADUATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – November 1, 2012
Meeting Location: Room 3007, Psychology Building

Present:  James Archibald (for E-Ling Hsiao), Mary Block (proxy for Fred Knowles), Michael Davey, Brenda Dyal, William Faux, Janet Foster, Alfred Fuciarelli (presiding), Susan Hagood, Wallace Koehler, Ellice Martin, Rusty McClung, Michael Sanger, Mel Schnake, Nancy Swanson, David Wasieleski, Robert Yehl (for Nolan Argyle). Guests: Linda Most, Barbara Radcliffe, Tiara Ross, and Teresa Williams.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Alfred Fuciarelli at 1:35 PM.

The 9/20/12 meeting minutes were approved.

Dr. Fuciarelli introduced Dr. Jane Kinney, the new catalog editor. She explained that her goals were to find ways to make the catalog revisions more efficient; to streamline the process. Faculty are invited to write vsucatalog@valdosta.edu if they have questions or suggestions. Departments are asked to review their information in catalogs now – or as soon as possible.

Fall 2012 Graduate Faculty Nominations: The membership committee reviewed fall applications for graduate faculty status and offered nominations for approval. The nominations were approved.

ARTS & SCIENCES

New Courses – HIST 5220, 5230, and 5240: Mary Block explained that the upper-level courses in medieval history have never been offered. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Revised Catalog Copy – EDD ACED and MED ACED: Rusty McClung said that the programs are addressing GRE scoring changes.

Revised Course – ACED 7950: The course will change to a capstone project and will be required for master’s students, limiting the number of attempts to successfully pass. The grade mode will be changed to U/S. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.

Curriculum Change – KSPE EDS Coaching Pedagogy & PE; Revised Courses – KSPE 8400, 8900: Susan Hagood explained that faculty realized that KSPE 8400 did not need to be a 4-hour course, and that a lab will give more time for feedback during the capstone course, KSPE 8900.

Curriculum Change – MRSD EDS C&I Teaching and Learning Exemplary Teaching Track; Revised Catalog Copy (for same track); and New Courses – EDAT 8001, 8002, 8003: Barbara Radcliffe said the proposed program of study is in keeping with the GaPSC Teaching Leadership Program Standards and Guidelines. This program will allow students to earn a certificate update for the advanced degree. This change will aid those participating in the Race to the Top program. Ellice Martin said that this program will be a stronger degree with an emphasis requiring teachers to work with others across groups. Students will have to request that their supervisors submit agreements of administration support. The new guidelines begin after January 15, 2013. This program is delivered totally online. Motion was made to approve; seconded. The proposals were approved.
Psychology – Reactivation of PSYC 8020: For informational purposes – but approved.

LIBRARY SCIENCE AND INFORMATION (MLIS) (amended 11-20-12)

Revised Catalog Copy; Revised Courses – MLIS 7110, 7111: Linda Most said that the proposals remove all prerequisites for these two courses because course content in existing pre-requisites has evolved away from being relevant to these two courses.

Curriculum Changes (2); Revised Catalog Copy (Optional Track in Cataloging): new Courses – MLIS 7310; Revised Courses – MLIS 7300, 7330, 7355, 7360: Linda Most explained that the courses are being expanded and renumbered for the Cataloging Track. MLIS 7300 will become a more theoretical core course that is broader in scope than the current version. MLIS 7310 will be a new course that provides much of the applied content currently lodged in MLIS 7300. MLIS 7300, MLIS 7330, 7355, and 7360 have name changes to reflect their updated content.

Deactivation of MLIS 7350: No longer needed – it is an obsolete course.

Revised Courses – 7370, 7440: Linda Most and Wallace Koehler explained that the courses in the Cataloging and Technology Tracks are being realigned to better reflect course content. MLIS 7370 will be renumbered as MLIS 7570 and moved from the Cataloging Track to the Technology Track. MLIS 7440 no longer requires its current Cataloging Track pre-requisites. The new pre-requisite will be the program entry level course.

Revised Catalog Copy – Optional Track in Technology: This track is revised to reflect the renumbering of MLIS 7370 to MLIS 7570.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Topics from the floor: Ellice Martin commented that a slight decrease in enrollment is expected in the online courses because some students may be hesitant to step out as teacher leaders or some administrators may not sign assurance forms. It may be a concern at first.

2. Graduate Faculty Application Update: Dr. Fuciarelli demonstrated how Digital Measures (DM) could be used to create the application for graduate faculty status. The response was very favorable.

3. Graduate Faculty Scholarship Fund: Dr. Fuciarelli announced that requests are limited to $750 per person. The application deadline is November 12, 2012.

4. Graduate Student Symposium: Dr. Fuciarelli announced that the planned date is April 12, 2013. Committee members were asked to volunteer to serve on the symposium committee. Michael Sanger and David Wasielewski agreed to co-chair the committee.

Motion was made to adjourn, seconded, at 2:50 pm.

Teresa Williams, Recorder

Alfred F. Fuciarelli, Ph.D.
AVP for Research and Dean of the Graduate School