

University Curriculum Committee
Wednesday, January 30, 2013
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Present: Gordon Alderink, Robert Adams (Chair), Martin Burg, Hsiao-Ping Chen, Maria Cimitile
(ex officio), Barb Hoogenboom, Jonathan Nicol, Bruce Ostrow, Glenn Pettengill, Scott
Rood, Pat Schafer, Ellen Schiller

Guests: Caryn King (ED), Mike Wambach (AHS), Cynthia Grapczynski (OT)

Called to order: 2:01 PM

Consent Agenda

- Approval of the Agenda: approved
- Approval of Minutes from 1/23/13

Report from the Chair: (1) Grade designation for thesis discussed last week has been approved by Senate;
(2) review material for next week to see if guests are needed.

Report from the Provost: none

New Business

- #7874 Education Doctorate NPP
Reviewed written responses from proposers to questions posed by review conducted in December 2012 and discussion concerning each of the points occurred. Several points of concern remain after this meeting with the proposers, including:
 - The social work tie in is not apparent and has not been clear-perhaps this will happen when the courses are reviewed?
 - Concern was raised and remains about numbers in the program cohort-is it even realistically achievable, and what type of evidence exists to indicate that the need in numbers is accurate. Other Ed.D. programs in the local area, while different, are smaller.
 - Needs assessment-is this degree to prepare a person for the professoriate? If so, does this extend beyond what we have done at GVSU? Is this more a theoretical or applied degree-it is currently unclear.
 - Are there really 60 students in classes online? Is this the size of classes as well, when the cohort meets each spring/summer? Is this effective pedagogy for this type of advanced degree?
 - Has attrition been taken into account in estimated needed numbers?

Action: Motion made to table proposal until all course proposals have been submitted and ready for review by UCC; motion passed.

Adjourn: 4:00 PM