
Members Absent: Mac Brown

Others in Attendance: Irma Van Scoy (ex officio), Elna Moses (ex officio)

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Murray Mitchell, shortly after 10:00 AM. With a minor editorial change, Robin Burden appears in the minutes as Robin Campbell, the minutes were approved. There was no old business.

The first item under new business was the approval of changes in title, course description, and prerequisites for EDLP 807. Murray Mitchell moved to approve the changes and Diane Stephens seconded the motion. After some discussion, the motion passed. Two issues should be addressed by the EDLP faculty prior to sending the proposed changes to the Graduate Council. First, the last clause in the course description reads: "May only be taken once for program credit." Since it is a required course, the verb "may" be inappropriate. Also, since this clause applies to the program, not the course, it might not be needed. Finally, grammatically, it might better read: "May be taken only once for program credit." Second, a tracking sheet needs to be added to the Course Change Proposal form.

The second item under new business was the approval of the cross-listing of EDSE 730 with FORL 730. After the item was introduced, a great deal of discussion ensued. Most of the discussion focused on the appropriateness of cross-listing EDSE 730 with a course that does not exist, namely, FORL 730. Josh Gold moved to send the proposal back to the Department of Instruction and Teacher Education and the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures. Diane Stephens seconded the motion. The recommendation of the APGC is that the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures initiate a new course proposal and that the Department of Instruction and Teacher Education write a letter of support for the course and the cross-listing of the course with EDSE 730.

A special presentation on the submission of theses and dissertations electronically was made by Dale Moore, Director of Graduate School Admissions, with the assistance of Wayne Eargle, also of the Graduate School. Information is available at http://dissertations.umi.com/sc/. At present, electronic submission is an option available to all graduate students at USC. Questions were asked about the knowledge and competency levels that would be needed by students to submit their theses or dissertations electronically. Mr. Moore stated that the Graduate School would provide assistance as necessary to ensure a successful experience for the students.
Wayne Eargle then presented information about the Graduate School's Electronic Program of Study (EPS). The Graduate School will be conducting tests of the EPS with selected academic programs in the near future. A question and answer period took place at this time.

Exhibiting professional courtesy, Chairman Mitchell thanked Mr. Moore and Mr. Eargle for taking their time to meet with the committee, provide the information, and answer questions.

There were no items under "Good of the Order." The secretary would simply add that the next scheduled APGC meeting is Monday, December 8, 2003, beginning at 10:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.