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Members Present: M. Wilson, D. Dickerson, T. Dull, G. Kriehn, T. Skeen,
S. Brown-Welty.

Members Absent: M. Perez (excused).

Visitors: P. Trueblood.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:06 p.m. in University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of 2/27/2007.
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. April 25, 2007 (4:00 – 6:00 p.m.): Graduate Student Recognition and Expo will be held, allowing students to showcase their work via a research/project poster or demonstration.
 - b. GRE is increasing number of dates and available test centers in Fresno. A temporary test site will be made available via laptops, if necessary. In December a paper test will also be available. Students can still register for the old test until July 30.

Executive Decision from Provost Office: No Changes for Fall 2007. Individual Graduate Programs at CSUF may request to option out (by Monday, April 16) of requiring students to take the new GRE for two years for Spring 2008 admits. After two years, programs that choose to option out of the GRE will have to re-evaluate their decision.

Spring 2008 Admissions is still a concern.

4. Discussion of Catalog Changes for Physical Therapy.
 - a. Current Proposed Changes: 2 Year Masters.
 - 1 Year Pre-Admission
 - 2 Year Masters Program
 - 1 Year DPT
 - b. Twelve units of a postgraduate internship are required to seek a license to practice physical therapy in California.
 - c. Future Proposed Changes: Three year entry level DPT will be required due to California State requirements to be implemented by 2010.

MSC to Approve Catalog Changes for Physical Therapy.

5. Graduate Communications Program Review Recommendations.

The department must implement the Student Outcome Assessment Program (SOAP) plan as quickly as possible. The committee encourages the department to continue to develop Teaching Assistantships for incoming students.

MSC to recommend approval of Communications as a Program of Quality and Promise.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee will be at 2:00 on March 20, 2007 in the University Center # 203.

Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes of 3/6//07.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. Program Reviews for Master of Public Health Program: 2:20.