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

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: B. Cuellar, S. Sowby.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:05 p.m. in University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of 3/6/2007.
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. Educational Specialist Degree materials were distributed and are scheduled to be discussed on April 10 along with review of revised interdisciplinary Master's degree protocol.
 - b. Diane Dickerson announced upcoming workshops: March 20 graduate student research posters; March 26 conflict resolution; April 20 Provost Scholarship; May 10 recruitment plan.
 - c. April 23-27 will be graduate student recognition week.
 - d. Review of Graduate Record Examination (GRE) waiver requests will begin in April.
4. Department of Health Science Program Review.

B. Cuellar and S. Sowby addressed the committee. There have been many positive changes since the self study and site visit. Health Science has hired two new faculty members to begin in Fall 2007. Health Science has also been the recipient of program enhancement funds. In response to accreditation concerns, the total number of units has been increased

from 41 to 42. The department has also updated recruitment brochures, created a newsletter, and instituted better methods of tracking student progress. The Health Science advisory board bylaws have been rewritten and the board updated. The program completion rate is increasing, and a comprehensive exam option has been added to the thesis and project options. Needs and recommendations: The department needs to work on a comprehensive recruitment plan and its Student Outcome Assessment Program (SOAP). Methods such as developing student portfolios, creating a scoring rubric for the portfolios, and field evaluations of interns could be helpful. Health Science could find ways to more fully engage faculty in graduate education. The department expressed the need for more space.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee will be at 2:00 on April 10, 2007 in the University Center # 203.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 3/20/07.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. Discussion and Review of Proposed Change to Ed.S Degree for M.S. in Psychology.
5. Discussion and Review of New Guidelines for Proposed Interdisciplinary Programs of Study.
6. Recommendations for the Graduate Program in Health Science.