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Members Present: M. Perez (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, D. Dickerson,
T. Dull, G. Kriehn, T. Skeen, Z. Wang.

Members Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Perez at 2:00 p.m. in the
University Center, Room #203

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 9/4/07.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. Dr. Sharon Brown-Welty announced that the Carnegie Foundation for Doctoral Programs has invited the CSU system to participate in a study of educational leadership preparation programs. Sharon was selected to be the CSUF representative for future meetings.
 - b. Chair Perez distributed a memo, initially sent to Dean Dickerson from the Spanish MA program coordinator Dr. Saul Jimenez-Sandoval, asking to waive the GRE scores for graduate admission to the specific Spanish MA program. The committee will review this petition at the next meeting.
 - c. Chair Perez distributed a Program Review in Kinesiology. The committee will need the program coordinator, the department chair, and the dean to discuss it.
 - d. Chair Perez distributed a proposal from Joel Rollin Pickford for pursuing an MA Interdisciplinary Studies (documentary studies of Southeast Asian cultures). The committee began preliminary discussions and will review it at the next meeting.

4. Early Childhood Education Program.

Chair Perez distributed a letter from Dr. Pamela S. Lane-Garon (Kremen School of Education), requesting a name change of their degree program from “Early Childhood” to “Early Childhood Education.”

MSC to approve the name change from “Early Childhood” to “Early Childhood Education” and forward to the Executive Committee for its approval.

5. Graduate Curriculum Sub-Committee.

The Committee went into Executive Session at 2:25 pm and moved out of it at 2:37 pm.

MSC to approve the following three persons to be on the Graduate Curriculum Sub-Committee:

Marianne Jones (College of Agriculture),
Susan Tracz (Kremen School of Education),
Saul Jimenez-Sandoval (College of Arts and Humanities).

6. Graduate Petitions Committee Policies and Procedures.

Chair Perez distributed the existing policies. The committee began preliminary discussions and made a few additions (e.g., to page 248 –E). The committee will discuss again at the next meeting.

MSC to adjourn at 2:55 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

Agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes 9/18/07.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. GRE Waiver Request MA in Spanish.
5. Graduate Petitions Committee.