Meeting convened: 1:00 PM

Present: Linda Webb, Patricia Willems (via phone), Mike Whitehurst, Dily Schoorman, Valerie Bryan, Sharon Darling, Rangasamy Ramasamy, Ali Danesh, Susannah Brown, Deenaz Patel

1. Linda Webb convened the meeting. The minutes from the last meeting (September 21st) were distributed. Approval was tabled.

2. Student Petition Committee Report
   Subcommittee Report was presented by Sharon Darling. Petitions were considered by department.
   - CCEI had three student requests.
     - Two were approved as requested. One was approved pending a B or higher on current coursework.
   - EL&RM had nine student requests.
     - Sharon Darling moved and Dily Schoorman seconded approval. All requests were approved.
   - T&L had one student request
     - Sharon Darling moved and Ali Danesh seconded approval. Approved as requested.

3. Curriculum Committee Report
   - Subcommittee Report was presented by Webb. Two items were considered.
     - EDG 7250 Title and course description change. Moved by Linda Webb and seconded by Ali Danesh. Unanimous approval to forward to the UGPC.
     - SCE 6644 Change of pre-requisites and co-requisites for the course. Moved by Linda Webb and seconded by Susan Brown. Unanimous approval to forward to the UGPC with minor modifications to the working and use of the new form.

4. Graduate Faculty Applications
   - No applications
5. COE Graduate Governance Document Continued Review
   - Sharon Darling expressed concern regarding the conduct of the previous discussion of the revisions to the COE faulty status document. She believed the nature of the previous discussion to be inappropriate, as the changes were being treated as if they were initiated and were being proposed by the committee presenting the document.
   - Sharon Darling noted that all changes presented in the proposed revisions, were discussed and recommended by the GPC in March/April 2011.
   - The Committee’s charge was to infuse the changes into the existing document, which they did, and were now presenting for the GPC’s review.
   - Valerie Bryan stated that the concern was more to do with the formatting rather than the substance.
   - Further discussion was tabled.

6. University Graduate Council/University Graduate Programs Committee Update
   - Valerie Bryan distributed FYI handout
   - Informed committee of discussion of the number of non-degree credits allowed for transfer into a program, and concerns about students enrolling for simultaneous degrees.

7. Other
   - Dilys Schoorman distributed a list of the needs of graduate students that had been identified by faculty in her department. She noted that if these were needs experienced in other departments, that the GPC should make these needs known to the dean and appropriate university administrators.
   - Ali Danesh noted that these needs paralleled the needs of faculty as discussed in the College Research Committee. It was agreed that this list would be combined with the concerns of the Research Committee and brought to the attention of the Dean.

8. No additional business, the meeting was adjourned.