

### **Attendance:**

#### **The following committee members were present in Harlingen:**

Michael Abebe – RVCBE  
Dumitru Caruntu – CECS  
Laura Jewett – CEP  
Robert Gilbert – COFA  
Jerzy Mogilski – COS  
John Van de Berg – SOM  
Andrew Portner – Library

#### **The following committee member was absent:**

Sandra Hansmann

#### **The following visitors were present in Harlingen:**

Frank Ambriz – Physician Assistant Studies, COHA  
Elias Villarreal - Physician Assistant Studies, COHA  
Audrey Jones - Physician Assistant Studies, COHA  
Sharon Schembri – Marketing, RVCBE

#### **The following visitors were present in Edinburg:**

Janine Schall – Bilingual and Literacy Studies, CEP  
Rosalinda Hernandez – Organization and School Leadership, CEP  
Alex Stehn - Philosophy, COLA  
Michael Minor – Marketing, RVCBE  
James Bullard – Chemistry – COS  
Cheryl Fielding – Human Development and School Services, CEP  
Gavino Garza – Health and Human Performance, COHA  
Michael Persans – Biology, COS  
Michelle Madrid, Registrar's Office

#### **The following visitors were present in Brownsville:**

Sylvia Saenz – Graduate College

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Caruntu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gilbert
- Votes: all approved
- Discussion: No corrections to the minutes

### **C. REVIEW OF NEW SUBMISSIONS**

#### **a. College of Fine Arts**

##### **1. School of Art**

- ADD ARTS 6358
  - Presenter: Reynaldo Santiago
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Abebe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Van de Berg
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion:
    - Elective in an MFA degree

#### **b. College of Liberal Arts**

## 1. Philosophy

- ADD PHIL 6345, 6390, 6399
  - Presenter: Alex Stehn
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Portner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Caruntu
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion: Since courses are cross-listed with undergraduate courses, faculty pointed out that there is not much difference in SLOs for the students. Dr. Jackson reminded attendees the policies on the minimum number of students for GR and UG courses when cross-listing them.

## c. Robert C. Vackar College of Business and Entrepreneurship

### 1. MBA

#### • Certificate in Health Care Administration and Leadership

- Revise Degree Plan
- REVISE MARK 6360
  - Presenter: Sharon Shembri presented both items
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Mogilski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Caruntu
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion: The course will be included on the list of electives on the degree plan. Students from Med school, paraprofessionals, rehab specialists will benefit from this course. Dr. Jackson pointed out the issue on courses in this program are not offered frequently.

## d. College of Health Affairs

### 1. Health and Human Performance

#### • MS in Kinesiology

- Revise Admission Requirements
- Presenter: Gavino Garza
- Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Caruntu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mogilski – with revisions
- Votes: All approved
- Discussion:
  - o Dr. Jackson suggested the inclusion of the 12 hours of undergraduate coursework due to issues/resistance from students to take courses. Dr. Garza will provide the list of courses for approval.

### 2. Physician Assistant Studies

- Revise Degree Plan
- ADD PHAS 5109, 5201, 5202, 5230, 5326, 5327, 5401, 5402, 5403, 6101
- REVISE PHAS 5306, 5307, 5328, 5329, 7205
  - Presenter: Frank Ambriz, Elias Villarreal, Dr. Jones
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Caruntu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Abebe –all packet
  - Votes: All approved
  - Discussion:
    - Degree Plan changing sequence but not total credit hours.
    - Correction of title of PHAS 5306; form was filled out incorrectly; it should be “I” instead of “II.”
    - Dr. Ambriz clarified that changes are for sequencing based on student feedback, alignment of modules because most medical schools do that. The assessment will be by analyzing data on grads and current students.
    - Dr. Jones explained clinical changes that are now on a 5 week rotation to promote orthopedics as elective. The changes on course description is to align competencies.

- Dr. Villarreal – is a clinical courses and objectives exists on the family medicine curriculum; accreditors do not require ortho classes so not really affecting program and account for 6% of the exam

## e. College of Education and P-16 Integration

### 1. Teaching and Learning

#### • EDD in Curriculum and Instruction

- ADD EDCI 8338/DELETE EDCI 7338
- Presenter: Laura Jewett
- Motion to approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Van De Berg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mogilski
- Votes: all approved
- Discussion:
  - Courses are only for Doctoral level and the topic will vary. Course is added as an elective on the EdD program
  - Dr. Jewett was asked about enrollment numbers affected. A: not much because it was not part of the degree plan and most students are doctoral level
  - Dr. Mogilski pointed out that description is identical even its very general
  - Dr. Jewett didn't vote

### 2. Organization and School Leadership

#### • Principal Certification Program

- Revise Admission Requirements
  - Presenter: Rosalinda Hernandez
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Caruntu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Abebe
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion:
    - Students come with less than 5 years of experience and that creates problem

### 3. Bilingual and Literacy Studies

#### • MED in Reading and Literacy

- Revise Degree Plan
- Presenter: Janine Schall
- Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Van de Berg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mogilski
- Votes: All approved
- Discussion:
  - Dr. Jackson clarified that students that are currently in C&I will be given opportunity to complete it by providing substitutions and any new students will be following new requirements
  - Dr. Jackson also mentioned that they cannot advertise concentration until approved by UTS and CB
  - Dr. Schall reassured that it will not be deleted from the degree plan.

#### • Certificate in Secondary Bilingual Education

- Add New Certificate
- ADD EDBE 5310, 5315, 6175
  - Presenter: Janine Schall
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Gilbert, 2<sup>nd</sup> Caruntu
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion:
    - School districts need.
    - New certificate is to attract students to the Med in Bilingual Ed since 3 courses are part of the program already; other courses will be incorporated to the program as well.
    - Dr. Abebe suggested to include information on the different

#### **4. Human Development and School Services**

- **Board Certified Behavior Analyst Certificate**

- -ADD New Certificate
- ADD EPSY 6361, 6362, 6363, 6364, 6365, 6366
  - Presenter: Cheryl Fielding
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Vandeberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Abebe
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion: No discussion.

#### **f. College of Sciences**

##### **1. MS in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**

- Add New Program
- ADD CHEM 6390
  - Presenter: James Bullard, Michael Persans
  - Motion to Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Mogilski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Caruntu – program and course
  - Votes: all approved
  - Discussion:
    - Students interdisciplinary will be required to take leveling coursework if coming from a different background
    - For now, the program will be housed at college level and not in a department; eventually a department will be created.
    - The program will have 2 levels of assessment: thesis option with and exam in the first two semesters and thesis defense

#### **D. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

##### **a. Dr. Jackson**

1. Discussion of the possibility of taking care of travel reimbursement – department is responsible but if they are not, then Graduate College will do so.

#### **E. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:05 PM**