SEPS Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2010


I. New Business:

1. SCI 412 Course Revision Elementary Science Methods. Change to pre-req to include BIO 211 & SCI 111. Motion: Fothergill/Cuerto. Discussion regarding concern for non-science students will be looked out if change is made. M. Begley suggested that a change to curriculum needs to completed first before course revision. Several programs will be affected including Teacher Ed: English, math, geography and history. Motion made to consult with Teacher Ed re: program curriculum change. Motion approved. Item tabled until next meeting in Feb. 2011. Approved.

2. MFT 593 and 594 Grad course addition. R. Cohen from MFT program & Anne Pautz gave overview of MFT specialty sequence for MFTs interested in school based work. CT Dept of Ed looks for specific course content/descriptions which need to be met and practicum sections specific to School based MFT are dedicated for students on this track and in order to meet this requirement. Course description shortened by Paulette to read:

MFT 593: School-Based Marriage and Family Therapy Seminar and Practicum I. Description: First semester of a 2-semester Practicum, including weekly seminar, direct client contact, and supervision of Marriage and Family Therapy practice in schools. Seminar covers school-based learning and systems theories, Federal and state education laws (e.g., IDEA and ADA); professional ethics and code of professional responsibility for educators; FERPA; statutory requirements for mandated reporting, suspensions and expulsions; and school and district accountability. Fulfills 1/2 of the required 300 hours of practicum for state certification (Fall).

MFT 594: School-Based Marriage and Family Therapy Seminar and Practicum II. Description: Continuation of two-semester school-based Marriage and Family Therapy practicum and seminar. Further development of content areas covered in MFT 593. Fulfills 1/2 of the required 300 hours of practicum for state certification (Spring)

3. Program Revision Major in Nursing, B.S.N. Change to pre-req add “OR BIO/BMS 318 & 319”. Motion: Gonzalez-Sanders/King. Approved.

4. “d” Designated Courses. Discuss regarding description and omission of disability in description and within key terms and concepts sections. Committee made recommendation to add definition of diversity to reflect Faculty Senate definition from Senate report 08/09 which states: “To recognize issues of social equality and social justice in the United States, with relevant outcomes including ability to recognize the diverse forms and effects of social and economic inequality; understand bias and discrimination based on individual and group factors such as race, color, religious creed, age, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, and mental or physical disability.” Committee also recommended adding “disability” to key terms & concepts. Motion: Nicoll-Sentt/Begley. Approved.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

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