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September 23, 2015

To: Randy Smith, Vice Provost of Academic Programs
Katie Reed, Executive Assistant

CC: Andrew Zircher, Director of Assessment and Curriculum
Sarah Odum, Curriculum Coordinator

From: Bryan Warnick, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs

RE: ADDITION OF REGIONAL CAMPUSES: TEACHER LEADER ENDORSEMENT

The faculty and administration of the College of Education and Human Ecology (EHE) approve of adding the Teacher Leader Endorsement from the Department of Educational Studies on the Marion, Mansfield, Lima, and Newark campuses. The proposal was approved by the department, EHE Curriculum Committee, is supported by Educator Preparation and was approved on May 23, 2014 by the Regents' Advisory Committee on Graduate Study (RACGS).

The Council on Academic Affairs reviewed and approved the original proposal at the April 17, 2013, which did not include the request for regional campuses. This proposal reconciles inconsistencies in the proposal as it moved through the approval process.

Included with this request are endorsement curriculum sheet and May 23, 2014 RACGS minutes. The Teacher Leader Endorsement consists of 3 graduate level courses, with a minimum of 9 credit hours required. The regional campuses wish to collaborate with the Columbus campus in the offering of the courses in the Teacher Leader Endorsement. Part of the reason for this change is to allow teachers in school districts within the regional campus' catchment areas to use fee authorizations to pay for these courses. A cost sharing agreement has been developed that will allow each campus to pay part of the costs.

EHE approves of adding the Teacher Leader Endorsement from the Department of Educational Studies on the Marion, Mansfield, Lima, and Newark campuses and requests approval from the Council on Academic Affairs. If there are any questions, please contact me at warnick.11@osu.edu or our curriculum coordinator, Sarah Odum, at odum.11@osu.edu.



Teacher Leader

Graduate Non-degree Endorsement Program

Minimum hours: 9

Required Courses (9 hours)

All coursework must be taken after the completion of a master's degree and 4 successful years of teaching under a standard teaching license. Based on previous coursework, course substitutions may be required. All students must be admitted to the Teacher Leader Endorsement program and meet with an endorsement advisor for your list of required coursework.

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APPROVED Summary Meeting Minutes of the Regents' Advisory Committee on Graduate Study

Ohio Board of Regents

25 South Front Street

7th Floor Main Conference Room #7-001

Columbus, Ohio 43215

May 23, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. by Chair Dr. Walter Horton, Jr. of the Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED). The following universities were represented: University of Akron, Bowling Green State University, Central State University, University of Cincinnati, Cleveland State University, University of Dayton, Kent State University, Miami University, NEOMED, Ohio State University, Ohio University, Shawnee State University, University of Toledo, Wright State University, and Youngstown State University. The representative for Case Western Reserve University was absent.

Chair Horton welcomed the membership, as well as, guests who attended on behalf of their institution's representatives: Dr. Subramania Sritharan of Central State University, Dr. Donna Schultheiss of Cleveland State University, and Dr. Susan Pocotte of the University of Toledo.

CORRECTION TO AGENDA:

Dr. Zoller Booth of Bowling Green State University asked for a correction of the approval status indicated on today's meeting agenda where it lists the Bowling Green State University Master of Science in Applied Geospatial Science degree, approved by Chancellor Carey on February 4, 2014, as "approved by E-vote." It was not approved by e-vote, but was formerly presented to RACGS on November 22, 2013, and RACGS voted to recommend approval to the Chancellor.

REQUEST FOR NEW PROGRAMS:

Miami University Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing: Faculty from Miami University presented the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing degree program. Following the presentation and a round of questions and answers, there was a motion to approve the proposal, and it was moved and seconded. RACGS voted in favor of the program in a 15 "Yes" 0 "No" vote. (The representative for Case Western

Reserve University was absent.) Mr. Shane DeGarmo of the Chancellor's staff will now take the Miami University MFA in Creative Writing program request to the Chancellor for final approval.

Ohio State University Master of Global Engineering Leadership: Faculty from Ohio State University presented the Master of Global Engineering Leadership degree program. Following the presentation and a round of questions and answers, there was a motion to approve the proposal, and it was moved and seconded. RACGS voted in favor of the program in a 15 "Yes" 0 "No" vote. The representative for Case Western Reserve University was absent. Mr. Shane DeGarmo of the Chancellor's staff will now take the OSU Master of Global Engineering Leadership program request to the Chancellor for final approval.

Ohio University Ph.D. in Translational Biomedical Sciences: Faculty from Ohio University presented the Doctor of Philosophy in Translational Biomedical Sciences degree program. Following the presentation and a round of questions and answers, there was a motion to approve the proposal, and it was moved and seconded. RACGS voted in favor of the program in a 15 "Yes" 0 "No" vote. The representative for Case Western Reserve University was absent. Mr. Shane DeGarmo of the Chancellor's staff will now take the OU Ph.D. in Translational Biomedical Sciences program request to the Chancellor for final approval.

STATE SHARE OF INSTRUCTION -- NEW DOCTORAL FUNDING FORMULA:

Mr. David Cannon, Vice Chancellor for Finance, and Ms. Penelope Parmer, Assistant Director, Data Management and Analysis, HEI System, of the Chancellor's staff, summarized changes to the doctoral funding formula that occurred as a result of recommendations from the Higher Education Funding Commission.

Vice Chancellor Cannon indicated that Mr. Bruce Johnson of the Inter-University Council is starting consultations to talk about changes to the funding formula for 2016-17, including what needs to be looked at, and what needs to be possibly changed. Vice Chancellor Cannon believes this would be an opportunity for RACGS to be involved in suggesting items to be considered in the funding consultation (e.g., changes to the number and size of doctoral programs across campuses, increases in the number of professional doctorates, the addition of NEOMED's PhD programs, the research component, revisiting the quality component, etc.)

Dr. Davidson suggested that it might be time for the RACGS members to meet with IUC again, perhaps for lunch after the July RACGS meeting. Ms. Char Rogge agreed to facilitate the arrangements for such a meeting.

Chair Horton thanked Mr. Cannon and Ms. Parmer for a very helpful and informative discussion.

OLD BUSINESS:

As a matter of record, Chair Horton read the following New Degrees Approved by RACGS via E-Vote into the May minutes:

- Bowling Green State University Master of Science in Applied Geospatial Science degree approved by Chancellor John Carey on February 4, 2014
- University of Cincinnati Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Informatics program approved by Chancellor John Carey on March 19, 2014
- Ohio State University Master of Applied Clinical and Preclinical Research (MACPR) approved by Chancellor John Carey on May 2, 2014
- Ohio University Master in Physician Assistant Practice (MPAP) approved by Chancellor John Carey on June 19, 2014
- Shawnee State University Master of Science in Mathematics approved by Chancellor John Carey on February 4, 2014

As a matter of record, Chair Horton read the 'Information Items' endorsed by RACGS via E-vote into the May minutes (for changes to existing programs):

- Kent State University request to reactivate, rename, and offer the Master of Arts degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice in a fully online delivery format
***Endorsed by RACGS on March 31, 2014**
- Ohio State University request to offer the Master of Science in Nursing in an Online delivery format ***Endorsed by RACGS on March 31, 2014**
- Ohio State University request to offer the Master of Plant Health Management in an Online delivery format ***Endorsed by RACGS on March 31, 2014**
- Wright State University request to offer the existing MS in Cyber Security in an Online format
***Endorsed by RACGS on March 31, 2014**
- Youngstown State University request to offer the Traditional MBA Program (also fully Online) in a Hybrid delivery format at Lorain County Community College ***Endorsed by RACGS on March 31, 2014**

REQUESTS FOR CHANGES TO EXISTING PROGRAMS (INFORMATION ITEMS)

- University of Akron request for Graduate Program Terminations and Suspensions (list previously circulated) ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- Kent State University request to offer the EMBA with a concentration in Healthcare Professionals at the KSU College of Podiatric Medicine in Independence, Ohio
***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- Kent State University request to offer the M.Ed., Ed.S. and Principal Licensure in Educational Administration K-12 Leadership at two off-site locations: Parma School District and Orange School District ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**

- Kent State University request to offer the Post-Baccalaureate Early Intervention (EI) Certificate in an Online (more than 50%) delivery format ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- Miami University request to inactivate the M.Ed. Adolescent Education (EA18) ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- Miami University request to inactivate the M.Ed. Elementary Mathematics Education (EAMG) ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- Miami University request to inactivate the M.Ed. Elementary Education (EA17) ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- University of Toledo request to offer the Master of Education and Science (MES) in an Online delivery format ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- University of Toledo request to offer the MA in Recreation and Leisure Studies in a Flexible delivery format ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- University of Toledo request for Program Inactivation of the Master of Education in Elementary and Early Childhood Education ***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**
- **Ohio State University request to offer the approved graduate level program leading to Teacher Leader Endorsement at the regional campuses in Lima, Mansfield, Marion and Newark**
***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

University of Akron-Cleveland State University joint Ph.D. in Urban Affairs and Public Administration:

The University of Akron seeks to discontinue the program, and Cleveland State University seeks approval procedures to continue the program, independently.

Dr. Donna Schultheiss of Cleveland State University, who is representing Dr. Jianping Zhu today, sought counsel on his behalf concerning how their institution may continue the program without the University of Akron. Dr. Mark Tausig of the University of Akron said that he has been in consultation with Dr. Zhu on this matter and acknowledged that the program has not been jointly run for some time. There was consensus for Dr. Zhu to submit a Full Proposal with a rationale and detail (i.e., courses offered, degrees conferred) for how Cleveland State University will be able to support the program independently. Dr. Schultheiss thanked the membership and said that Cleveland State and will proceed with a full proposal.

Central State University: Update on Master's in Student Affairs in Higher Education

Former RACGS representative, Dr. Subramania Sritharan (Sri) of Central State University, attended today's meeting on behalf of Dr. Lovette Chinwah-Adegbola, and provided an update on the Master's of Student Affairs in Higher Education program. He indicated that there is currently a moratorium on admissions and that the graduate study committee is reviewing the program. He further indicated that the program may be ready to begin accepting new students as early as fall of 2014. Central State will provide future updates to RACGS and was reminded that if the program is changed substantially, it may need to be re-evaluated by RACGS.

Kent State University request to offer the existing MPH Health Policy and Management specialization in a fully online format:

This request was brought before RACGS rather than completed in an electronic vote because of concerns on the part of some RACGS members that approval of the original program was given with the understanding that the program would not be offered in a fully online format. Dr. Mary Ann Stephens of Kent State University summarized the request and the discussions that had taken place on the RACGS listserv over the past few weeks. Following discussion, there was a motion to approve the request to offer the MPH Health Policy and Management specialization in a fully online format. The motion was moved, seconded and approved.

***Endorsed by RACGS on May 23, 2014**

DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE RACGS GUIDELINES:

- Distance Learning Definitions
- Procedures for Approving New Degrees that Evolve from Previously Approved Programs
- Inactivating or Reactivating Graduate Programs

Distance Learning Definitions

Dr. Mark Tausig of the University of Akron led a discussion on Distance Learning definitions. He provided a list of definitions that he compiled from the HLC, Ohio Board of Regents, etc. These are definitions he found and circulated to RACGS back in January of 2014 to try to align definitions for the uniform, universal definition of what online means.

Dr. Stephanie Davidson of the Chancellor's staff said that the OBR definitions are how we (OBR) define online, hybrid, etc., to help campuses understand when they would need to come to us for approval. We do not tell universities what their own definitions must be.

It was agreed that this could be a discussion at the upcoming RACGS retreat. Items to consider as part of the discussion might include:

- The need for a single operational definition of online
- What is the role of RACGS, if any, in approving changes to move existing programs online
- Why would RACGS need to be involved, e.g., manage awareness, competition, collaboration?

Procedures for Approving New Degrees that Evolve from Previously Approved Programs

Ms. Char Rogge addressed the Procedures for Approving Degrees that Evolve from Previously Approved Programs. She tracked the guidelines edits submitted by the membership via the listserv. She asked if RACGS wishes to approve the changes to the language today, or if it requires further discussion.

A discussion ensued, and Chair Horton advised for a friendly amendment to the language, accordingly:

IV. C. Degree designation change

*“When an institution seeks to create a separate new degree designation for a specialization currently offered within an existing degree **with or without** eliminating the original designation, submission of a Preliminary Development Plan is optional. A Full Proposal must be submitted to RACGS for review as ~~given~~-described in the Guidelines and Procedures for Review and Approval of Graduate Degree Programs.”*

A motion to approve the language as submitted was moved and seconded, and the revised language was approved.

Inactivating or Reactivating Graduate Programs

Mr. Shane DeGarmo proposed revisions for inactivating or reactivating programs. The agency is proposing to change current guidelines to uniformly require all institutions, across all program levels, to notify the Chancellor of such changes within five years of the change. Current RACGS’ guidelines allow institutions seven years to notify the committee and the Chancellor. Chair Horton said that this should be handled as a formal request and voted upon by e-vote, or at the July meeting.

CURRICUNET UPDATE:

Mr. Shane DeGarmo provided an update on CurricUNET. The intended April implementation date was postponed so the staff could continue to test the system. The anticipated start date to begin submitting educator preparation licensure and endorsement programs has been pushed back to July, with the rollout of the other program submission areas to be phased in throughout the summer and fall.

Dr. William Ayres of Wright State University said that his institution’s system will not be CurricUNET, but he understands that it will link with other applications, and he hopes it will be compatible with CurricUNET. Mr. DeGarmo was of the impression that it will link with other applications.

RACGS RETREAT UPDATE:

Ms. Char Rogge provided a RACGS Retreat update. She verified that the dates of October 2 and 3, 2014 are reserved at Mohican State Lodge for what could be a two-day retreat. She reminded the membership that Dr. Charles Rozek of Case Western Reserve University had said the agenda should drive the need for a retreat, and its length. She shared that at the RACGS retreat from a couple of years ago, RACGS began at 10a on a Thursday for a full day of intensive discussion on the RACGS Guidelines, and began at 8:00a on Friday to wrap-up by the lunch hour.

RACGS provided some topic suggestions for a two-day retreat:

- Discussion/Initiatives from the Annual Council of Graduate Schools Conference
- Distance Learning
- The Future of Graduate Education: How and where should we be going?
- Faculty Capacity/Faculty Workload
- Revisions to the RACGS Guidelines

Dr. Mark Tausig of the University of Akron said that the retreat was structured with small working groups to tackle sections of the guidelines. There was consensus that a two-day retreat is favorable for intensive discussions and in an effort to revise the guidelines on a regular basis so that it is not a monumental process.

Mr. Shane DeGarmo announced a webinar on June 18 for a State Reciprocity Authorization Agreement meeting, and he said he can provide registration information to RACGS.

SUCCESSION OF THE NEXT CHAIR OF RACGS:

Chair Horton reminded the membership about the succession of the next RACGS Chair for the new academic year. Chair Horton will talk off-line with Ms. Rogge and Dr. Davidson to reach out to individuals on the rotation roster to determine their willingness to serve as the new chair.

Chair Horton reminded the membership that the next RACGS meeting is July 25, 2014, and he will seek new degree program presentations for July.

With no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned.