Members present: Tom Bickley, Carl Bellone, Linda Ivey, Jim Mitchell, Dan Cerutti, Mitch Watnik, Peter K. Marsh, David Woo, Sam Tran

Members absent: Bijan Mashaw, vacant student seat

Guests: Rosanne Harris, Sally Murphy, Gail Young, Pat Guthrie, Linda Dobbs, Lynn Comerford, Rolla Lewis

1. Approval of Agenda for 10/20/08 MSP Watnik/Bickley 7/0/0

2. Approval of Minutes from 10/6/08. MSP Bickley/Watnik 9/0/0

3. Discussion of MS in Counseling, School Counseling Option:
Rolla Lewis from Educational Psychology introduced this proposal to bring back the School Counseling option for the MS in Counseling. Lewis noted professional need for identifying this particular specialty for students seeking work. Ivey asked for clarification on core requirements for the major overlapping with electives for the option. Lewis responded that this was a pattern for all options, and is meant to gear students towards their emphases, and speaks to larger conversation regarding scope and sequence of their degree program. Marsh asked about the standard degree for those pursuing an option in school counseling. Lewis noted that this was one track, and the adjustments in the proposal absolutely speak to the national trend. Woo asked about the cross cultural counseling emphasis; while this particular part of the degree program was not under review, Lewis did note again the plan to re-vamp all aspects of the Counseling program and encouraged interaction with department as they revamp. MSP Ivey/Marsh 9/0/0

4. Report from Chair of CIC:
Mitchell noted that at the previous meeting the committee had approved the Annual Report of CIC 2007-08, and worked out logistical issues regarding sharepoint access. Mitchell emphasized to the committee the need for reading proposals ahead of time, despite ability to call up on sharepoint, so we have shared understanding of proposal contents and issues.

5. Report from Presidential Appointee:
Bellone made special note of the work Rosanne Harris was undertaking to redo the Curricular Procedures Manual, which would be heading to CIC later in the year. Watnik commended this effort.

6. Finalizing Nominations to CIC Subcommittees:
Murphy led the discussion on the remaining positions to be filled. Murphy was following up on securing the CEAS representative to GE, which would finalize that committee. Tom Bickley volunteered for the CIC position (outside of CLASS) on Critical Thinking; David Woo volunteered for the CIC position (from CLASS) on Cultural Groups and
Women. The Basic Skills Requirements Appeals committee still lacked three members from CEAS and three from CSCI. Mitchell suggested names for CEAS; Watnik will follow up for CSCI. Committee voted on finalizing membership that has been filled out. MSP Ivey/Watnik 9/0/0

7. Continuing Discussion on the MS in Biotechnology:
An additional discussion on the MS in Biotechnology proposal was held between CIC meeting times with all interested parties to discuss issues brought out at last CIC meeting. The negotiated adjustments to the proposal were approved by the committee. MSP Mitchell/Watnik 9/0/0

8. Discussion of BA in Women Studies:
Patricia Guthrie introduced proposal from the Department of Human Development of a BA in Women’s Studies; Lynn Comerford, future Director of Women Studies also spoke on behalf of the proposed major. Guthrie noted the need for a women studies major was long overdue for the campus. This program would distinguish itself with its emphasize policy and service learning. Ivey asked about breadth regarding interdisciplinarity; Comerford noted explicit course lists on the final proposal which CIC members had not had access to. Watnik questioned the presence of two 4000-level courses (WOST 4100 and WOST 4400) without any prerequisites. After discussion, Guthrie and Comerford both agreed it made sense to change those particular class designations to 3000-level courses. Bickley expressed concerns about budget and hoped there would be built in support for this program as it gets underway. MSP Bickley/Marsh/ 9/0/0

9. Continuing Discussion of Minor in Chinese Language and Cultural Studies:
The proposal for a Minor in Chinese Language and Cultural Studies was sent back to CIC after some suggested changes by CAPR. CIC accepted changes having to do with the number of electives and total credits as it reflected the conversation the committee had already had with regards to this proposal. Committee also discussed the previously unstated necessity to complete elementary mandarin, or test out, before taking the required intermediate level language courses. CAPR had noted a possible "hidden prerequisite". Harris noted she had worked with the Modern Languages department on the language to clarify this point. CIC was comfortable with the changes made by Modern Languages. MSP Mitchell/Ivey 9/0/0

10. Motion to Adjourn. MSP Tran/Ivey 9/0/0

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Ivey, Secretary