College of Business Administration  
Graduate Committee  

Minutes: February 7, 2006, 10:00 am, Dean’s Conference Room  

Members Present: Rick Gore, Heather Honea, Murray Jennex, Ken Marino, Mehdi Salehizadeh, Chamu Sundaramurthy  

Item 1. MBA Assessment – Theme Courses  
GOALs 2 and 3 (comprised of SLOs 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 3.1, respectively) are being assessed in AY 2006-2007. Ken informed the committee that a randomly selected group of 9 students – from among the full-time “cohort” MBA group – have been asked to take part in the assessment by compiling a portfolio of assignments and examinations from the four MBA theme requirements (Interpersonal Skills, Legal Ethical, Management of Technology, and Globalization). The collected “data” will be uploaded on the Web. Heather will send reminders to the group to ensure adequate and timely collection of data.  

Item 2 University’s Response to the 2005 MBA Assessment Report  
The committee examined the university’s response to the 2005 annual assessment report (submitted by the chair, in October, 2005). The “Student Learning Outcome Committee” commended the graduate committee for its report, but also offered some recommendations for preparing future reports. The graduate committee agreed to take the suggestions into consideration as it prepares the 2006 Assessment Report.  

Item 3 Graduate Curriculum  
Dean Naughton, attending the previous committee meeting held December 6, 2005, suggested that the committee examine both the general MBA/MSBA curricula and some of the specialization programs such as International Business, Entrepreneurship, and Integrated Marketing Communication. In response, the committee devoted a considerable amount of time in discussing the various aspects of the graduate curriculum, including the mix as well as the number of units of core classes, theme courses, and electives, along with the total number of units required. Further examination of this item will take place at the next meeting.  

Item 4 IDS Ph.D. Program  
Murray told the committee that the University has given approval to the IDS Department to start formal negotiations with the Claremont Graduate School regarding the offering of a joint Ph.D. program.  

Adjournment: 11:45 am  

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 10:00 am, Dean’s Conference Room  

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