**Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing**

**Florida Atlantic University**

**Graduate Practice Programs Committee Minutes**

**October 17th, 2011**

**Approved November 21, 2011**

**Members Present**: Lynne Palma, Rosario Medina Shepherd, Shirley Gordon, Rhonda Goodman, Terry Eggenberger, Marguerite Purnell, Cynthia Blum, Nancy France, Ruth McCaffrey, Jill Winland-Brown, Theris Touhy, Rose Sherman, Charlotte Barry

By poly-com: Josie Weiss, Anne Vitale, Susan Dyess

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| **NP Faculty Meeting** | | |
| **Item** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| **OLD BUSINESS** |  |  |
| Alumni Survey | 46 out of 47 have certification. | Dr. Weiss will email the results to us. |
| ANP/GNP Update | Dr. McCaffrey held a ANP?GNP task force meeting and provided a summary. The syllabus is in the works. The practicum will be discussed as well. Dr. Touhy requested that the sub-acute, Hospice and other GNP experiences be included. A Webinar is available on AACN about transitioning to ANP/GNP. It was agreed to have a gerontologic book for all NP students. This will be purchased for HA to use in all courses.  Primary 1 students will need a text in the Spring.  There was discussion about allowing students to take ANP and GNP concentration in the spring and doing a clinical in the summer. Dr. Gordon stated that the summer funds are limited. The committee preferred to have the students wait until they can do the dual program because of the finances to do a ANP/ GNP separately. | Dr. Touhy and Dr. Hain will recommend the textbooks. |
| Electronic logs | The undergraduate Assistant Dean is reviewing Cerner.  Dr. Palma will set in on the Cerner preview and work with the undergraduate program to see if the program meets the needs of all programs. | Dr. Palma to follow-up with committee |
| **NEW BUSINESS** |  |  |
| Curriculum Plan for DNP Students Entering in Spring | This will be tabled until next meeting. Dr. McCaffrey gave a summary of the WPBNP Council Meeting. | Tabled until Nov meeting |
| Admission for DNP | The Spring 2012 DNP applicants were presented. There were 6 applicants. Some students had not yet taken the GRE/MAT.  Two students applying for BS-DNP were put on hold until the details are worked out because we don’t have a part-time curriculum. Four of the other students were accepted. The catalogue says acceptable score rather than providing the actual scores for GRE and MAT | A score of 50th percentile on the MAT, and/or 850 on the GRE is considered acceptable for the DNP program.  For more efficiency there will be an admissions committee called prior to the Master’s Meeting each month. |
| **GENERAL MEETING** |  |  |
| Minutes | The minutes were approved |  |
| Student Petitions | See the attachment on MS Admission Committee.   1. Student with an international transcript assessment - seeking admission into the Bridge program. Petition to consider only the 3.6 GPA from AD at Keiser for admission His BS degree from France was in tourism with GPA below 3.0. 2. The second student took the MAT (399) and this is 52% on the general portion. Her BS was from FIT with GPA below 3.0. 3. The third student petitioned to accept GPA of 2.93 and waive GRE/MAT requirement. 4. The fourth student petitioned to waive the GRE with a GPAs less than 3.0 | 1. The first student petition was   denied. Recommended student take the GRE/MAT   1. The second student petition was approved 2. The third student petition was approved 3. The third student petition was denied. |
| Student Admissions | 1. Boca 29 FNPs 11 ANP (40 total) 2. Davie 21 (19 FNPs 2 ANPs) 3. ANP total 15 (11 Boca, 2 Davie 2, TCC) 4. TCC 43 FNPs 5. ADM because of the grant have to have a cohort of 20 the Emerging Leader HRSA grant. 5 are already admitted and recruitment is ongoing 6. Anticipate 8-10 for regular ADLD track 7. Nursing Education 12 students   There was discussion about online programs recruiting in our area |  |
| **Old Business** |  |  |
| CCNE Preparations from Master’s Retreat | Timeline: There is a meeting later today. Nancy France is now reviewing the previous self study.  Core Courses:  CCNE Mapping: |  |
| Student Readiness for Advanced Sources: Survey | Will be sent out in November |  |
| **SACS 2011-2012 Assessment Report** | Engagement:  Consistency with CON Program Quality Plan  Caring | Assessment to be submitted by Dr. Gordon |
| Caring |  |  |
| **NEW BUSINESS** |  |  |
| Release of Spring Schedule | Schedule for Spring 2012 has been released and will go live for student registration November 14th. There are a number of errors/changes that did not get captured prior to the release. Dr. Gordon asked everyone to carefully review the schedule and notify her of any errors or changes. | Faculty to notify Dr. Ggordon of any changes or errors prior to November 14th. |
| Graduate Practice Programs Marketing-Dardet | Review of strategies and funding: Chris Dardet provided insight regarding the promotion of nursing. The CON Magazine was circulated to all nursing programs with a letter of invitation. Word of mouth is how we seem to get the majority of our students. Faculty need to be armed with materials to give to interested individuals out in the community. They will be available soon and include pens, flyers, and jump drives. Dr. McCaffrey pointed out that the Professional Graduate Fair and the DNP was not on the poster. Dr. Eggenberger will attend the Research Collaborative. Dr. Goodman participates in the Future Nurses Club at St. Andrews. There is a lot of opportunity to post information on the FAU Facebook page. FAU today has a science section on the Web. Call Chris Dardet if you have a story. Dr. Gordon brought up the competition issue with online DNP programs. Dr. Winland-Brown said there were 47 new RN programs. Dr. Eggenberger stated only 40% of area hospitals are paying now for NOVA. She suggested writing a summary of what to look for in a DNP program. Dr. Dyess asked about putting up a billboard. Chris stated that the cost for that was $6,000 per month.  Recruitment Grants: not discussed  Fellowships; not discussed  Plan to place Direct Care Courses in online format: Tabled for next time | Faculty encouraged to be ambassadors for FAU and recruit student when out in the community and when attending conferences. |
| Review of Direct Care Core pre/co requisites and syllabi- Dr. Weiss | Tabled to November | Tabled to November |
| Plan to place direct care courses online | Plan to place Direct Care Courses in online format: Tabled for next time | Tabled to November |
| Education Tract Subcommittee Report/changes from Committee on Programs/Nurse Educator Direct Focus Course-Barry | Recommendations were sent forward to the Faculty Assembly-see below. Dr. Gordon gave a summary from COPs. 2 credit course and 1 credit practicum was changed at COP to 3 credit course and 3 credit practicum. | Dr. Barry to work with Education Subcommittee to develop new course syllabi. |
| COP Motion: Use of Cognates/structure of Master’s Tracks | The definition of cognates developed by COP was reviewed. (see attachments). The impact of the definition on the structure was discussed.  Dr. Gordon lead a discussion on the structure which included :  Core  Direct Core  Concentration  Cognates  Core –taken by all tracks? We have a track that does not take all of the core courses. The CNL track does not include the core course NGR 6891 Roles, Policy and Finance. The content is covered in other required courses.  Direct Core – all tracks with exception of ADLD and indirect care individualized tracks like informatics  Concentration or rename Specialty  Cognates and include Electives | Following a thorough discussion, the committee voted to adopt the following structure as appropriate to individual tracks:  Core  Direct Core  Concentration  Cognates/Electives |
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| Announcements | IPE Workshop November 17, 2011  NP Boca/Davie HA Students  Faculty participants needed |  |
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|  | Planned site visits to increase clinical placements-Gordon, Barry, King  BC Hospital Districts-Primary Care clinics  PBCHD-Bell Glade |  |
|  | REACH Health Fair scheduled for  March 3, 2012 Belle Glade  March 4, Pahokee  Childhood Asthma and Skin Cancer screening needed  Bilingual volunteers needed |  |
| **Future Meeting: November 21, 2011** |  |  |

**Action Items Progress:**

**Tracking Graduate Practice Programs Recommendations to Committee on Programs/Students/Faculty**

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| **Topic** | **Recommendation** | **Forward Date/Outcome** | **Approved COP** | **Approved FA** | **Approved FSS/FS** |
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| DNP Supervised Clinical Hours Documentation Form  Catalog Change: | Approve the attached DNP Supervised Clinical Hours from and change DNP admission criteria in include completion of the form as part of the supplementary CON application packet beginning Fall 2012.  DNP students admitted prior to Spring 2012 to submit the documentation will be asked to submit the form prior to development of their Plan of Study. | September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | October 2011 |  |  |
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| GRE/MAT recommendations awaiting follow-up from Programs committee  Catalog Change: | “Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores are required for applicants with a GPA of < 3.0. GRE or MAT scores should be within the last five years of the date postmarked on the application. If the GRE or MAT score is older than five years, the applicant may petition the Graduate Practice Programs Committee to consider acceptance of the older score.” | Re-forwarded September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | October 2011 |  |  |
| Master’s Program Objectives  Catalog Change: | See attached recommended Master’s Program objectives changes. | September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | Tabled to Nov agenda |  |  |
| Direct Care Core  Catalog Change: | Establish a Direct Care Core for all Master’s Tracks with the exception of ADLD. [See attached format]  Begin requirement Spring 2012. | September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | October 2011 |  |  |
| NP admission requirements for BSN pharmacology and HA  Catalog Change: | Remove the NP admission requirement for undergraduate health assessment and pharmacology. | September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | October 2011 |  |  |
| Nurse Educator Track: Direct Care Focus Courses  Catalog Change: | Add 2 required course categories in place of existing cognate courses: [in addition to the direct care core courses approved earlier]  Direct Care Focus Course 2 credits  Direct Care Focus Practicum 1 credit.  Begin Spring 2012. | September 19, 2011 for October COP meeting | Approved with changes: Direct Care Focus Course 3 credits  Direct Care Focus Practicum 3 credits  October 2011 |  |  |
| Graduate Handbook Changes | Approve graduate handbook changes forwarded last year. | Re-forwarded  September 19, 2011 for October COS meeting | October 2011 |  |  |
| Master’s Track Structure | Motion from the Graduate Practice Programs Committee:  Adopt the following structure as appropriate to individual  tracks:  Core  Direct Core  Concentration  Cognates/Electives  Not all tracks will have direct care core courses or cognates/electives.  Rationale: compliance with New CCNE  Essentials and the definition of cognates as developed by the COP. | Forwarded to COP 10, 17, 2011 |  |  |  |