July 30, 2014

TO: Manoa Faculty Senate

FROM: David B. Sanders, Chair, Committee on Research and Graduate Education (CoRGE)

SUBJECT: Spring 2014 Report on CoRGE Activities

CoRGE scheduled 7 meetings this semester (23 Jan; 06, 27 Feb; 03, 10, 24 Apr; 01 May). The Chair is Dave Sanders, the Vice Chair is Martin Rayner, and Ron Bontekoe serves as SEC liaison.

In addition to members of the MFS, CoRGE also includes UHM Department Chairs in order to fulfill its assigned role of being responsible for issues dealing with Graduate Education (as liaison to the Manoa Graduate Council). Given this current “dual role” (“CoR” and “CoGE”), CoRGE continues to be the largest standing committee (15 members) of the MFS.

CoRGE has continued dealing with 9 issues this semester that were assigned to it by the SEC. [CoRGE has not generated any issues on its own.] We list these 9 issues below (including comments), grouped by how CoRGE decided to deal with them.

Resolutions presented to MFS:

None

Issues that were tabled:

Issue #19.12 Quality of Grad Programs

Will revisit following appointment of new Graduate Dean

Issue #19.13 Relationship of CoRGE and Graduate Council

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Issues requiring no further action:

Issue #6.14 PI/Program Director Change

ORS has decided not to pursue the proposed revisions.

Issue #20.12 Graduation/Dissertation Defense Timing

Issue #26.13 Committee on Human Subjects

Issues remanded for revision:

Issue #9.14 Certificate Proposal – Renewable Energy and Island Sustainability

CoRGE subcommittee to discuss needed changes with Anthony Kuh

Issue #34.13 Professional Masters in Environmental Management

CoRGE informed Peter Garrod that it views this issue as a “program change”

Issues still under study:

Issue #21.12 GSO Student Bill of Rights

Subcommittee waiting for revised GSO Draft

Issue #27.13 University Affiliated Research Centers

Role of “Oversight Committee” needs clarification