Minutes of the October 20, 2009 Meeting

Present: Dr. Phil Pecorino (Chair), Dr. Marjorie Deutsch (Secretary); Dr. David Klarberg, Dean Karen Steele (Ex-Officio), Professor Craig Weber; Professor Dolores Weber, Dr. Richard Yuster

Absent: Dr. Moni Chauhan, Sin Ying Lam (Student), Chi Kwan Wong (Student)

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

2. The minutes of the October 13, 2009 meeting were accepted and approved.

3. Professors Anne Maria Menendez and Deborah Fitzgerald-Royce of the Nursing Department presented and discussed the proposed changes to NU-101, NU-102, NU-201, and NU-202. These changes were motivated by the shift from a single theoretical framework, Orem, (developed by the nursing theorist Dorothea Orem), that had previously prevailed, to a more eclectic approach. This eclectic approach more accurately reflects current needs and practices in nursing in accordance with NLN. The question was considered as to whether these changes would actually require new course numbers. It was explained, however, as a change of framework which could eventually lead to the creation of new course numbers. Further explanation will be given for discussion at our next meeting on October 27.

4. Dr. Aaron Krac and Dr. Lisa Mertz presented their proposed changes to the A.A.S Massage Therapy Degree Program. The committee suggested that in removing HA-201 *(Eastern Massage Therapy III)* from the catalog, it might be advantageous to place it in the Inactive List. It was also suggested that it might be clearer to students if the Massage Therapy Electives heading was followed parenthetically with: *(Select 1 of the following.)* Also, the four new massage therapy courses – HA-206 *(Pregnancy Massage)*, HA-207 *(Hospital-Based Massage)*, HA-208 *(Sports Massage)* and HA-209 *(Thai Massage)* were discussed in detail. It was suggested that the range of course numbers ‘205-219’ be reserved for new secondary level courses. These proposals will be revisited at the October 27 meeting.

5. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Marjorie Deutsch
Secretary of the Curriculum Committee