Members Present: Robert Asen, Chris Choi, Tullia Dymarz, Emily Fletcher, Florence Hsia, William Karpus, Lisa Martin, Donna Neumann, Manish Patankar, Julie Poehlmann-Tynen, Parmesh Ramanathan, Gail Robertson, Bret Shaw, Leslie Smith III, Shannon Stahl

Members Absent: Kevin Black, Alex Dressler, Mark Mandel, Morgan Robertson, Sissel Schroeder

Dean William Karpus called the meeting to order.

Dean Karpus welcomed and introduced new GFEC members

Automatic Consent

1. The following items were approved as a matter of automatic consent:
   a. Minutes from May 14, 2021
   b. Approval of the extension of active Graduate Faculty status for Curriculum and Instruction Professor Emerita Julia Eklund Koza through June 30, 2022
   c. Approval of the extension of active Graduate Faculty status for Community and Environmental Sociology Professor Emerita Jane Collins through August 31, 2022
   d. Approval of the extension of active Graduate Faculty status for Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis Professor Emerita Julie Underwood through May 31, 2022.

   Motion: Moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with one abstention.

Approvals

2. Dean Karpus introduced professors Jim Wollack and Andy Garbacz who presented a request to approve Fast-Track Notice of Intent for the Master of Science in School Psychology. The goal of the proposal is to streamline the program and make administrative changes to comply with accreditation standards.

   Motion: Moved and seconded to approve the Fast-Track Notice of Intent for the Master of Science in School Psychology. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Dean Karpus introduced professors Jim Wollack and Andy Garbacz who presented a request to approve Fast-Track Notice of Intent for the PhD in School Psychology.

   Motion: Moved and seconded to approve the Fast-Track Notice of Intent for the PhD in School Psychology. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Dean Karpus introduced Professor Steve Quintana who presented a request to approve new Graduate/Professional Certificate in Bilingual Psychological Services: Esperanza
effective Fall 2022. The proposal is responsive to a growing need to provide clinical strategies in Spanish.

**Motion:** Moved and seconded to approve the new Graduate/Professional Certificate in Bilingual Psychological Services: Esperanza effective Fall 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

**Program Review Responses:**

5. GFEC member Associate Dean Parmesh Ramanathan summarized the Program Review Response for the Political Science MA, PhD and Doctoral Minor 10-year GFEC review. Highlights of the response include initiatives undertaken to improve climate in the program, the re-establishment of the peer-mentorship program, and increased visibility of Individual Development Plan resources to encourage student use.

No action sought

**Program Reviews**

6. GFEC member Professor Leslie Smith III presented the Institutional 10-year program review of the English MA, PhD and Doctoral Minor and English Linguistics Doctoral Minor. Smith noted strengths of the program include strong admissions packages, incorporation of curriculum changes that are responsive to trends and inclusion strategies, contribution to the Writing Center as a resource for graduate students, and dedication to inclusivity in teaching and writing.

The review committee recommendations include the completion of the Graduate Student Handbook, clearer guidance for travel procedures, the full implementation of the PhD assessment plan that was approved in 2019, continued efforts to increase student diversity, more professional development opportunities for non-academic career preparation, and incorporating academic staff into departmental governance. Smith responded to questions regarding advising and progress to degree, space issues, and professional development for non-academic careers.

**Motion:** Moved and seconded to accept the 10-Year Program Review of English MA, PhD and Doctoral Minor and English Linguistics Doctoral Minor. The motion passed unanimously.

7. GFEC member Professor Gail Robertson presented the institutional 5-year program review of the Biomedical Data Science MS. Robertson noted strengths of the program include implementation of a refocused and streamlined program, high quality standards (all graduates successfully enrolled in PhD programs or secured relevant employment in field), and students are well prepared for future advancement. The program is largely self-funded and provides a unique niche for UW-Madison.

The review committee recommendations include increased recruitment of URM students, improved methods for helping students find research projects, gathering systematic feedback from current and past students, and exploring strategies to enhance a sense of community. Robertson responded to questions regarding student funding opportunities and research project opportunities.
Motion: Moved and seconded to accept the 5-year program review of the Biomedical Data Science MS. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion

8. Associate Dean Parmesh Ramanathan led a discussion regarding the Transfer Credit Policy. The policy will be presented for approval at the October 8, 2021 GFEC meeting.

No action sought

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Dean William Karpus.