Present: Brian Coffey, Ruth Rea, Don Zimmerman, José Rios, Tom Diehm Absent: Kent Nelson, Divya McMillin (suggested revisions for applications submitted electronically) Guests: Bobbe Miller-Murray

1. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the 11/20/08 meeting were approved.

2. Online approval system (Sharepoint)

There is general dissatisfaction with how this system is working (or not working). José will meet with James Wood to discuss this. If we are not able to get it up and running without flaw after one more try, we will move to a simplified online-access-of-paperwork system (scanning, controlled access files, etc.). José will keep us posted on this.

3. Course Applications

TCXG 382 to TCXG 200: Approved with the following changes made by José: add a date to the form; check off the field for abbreviated title change.

TPSYCH 311: Approved provisionally: José will clarify the title of the course (Theories of Personality vs. Personality Theories) and make the appropriate change.

TCOM 230: Approved as submitted.

TCSIG 180: Approved as submitted.

TCXIN 465: Approved with the following change made by José: Under learning objective “c” for both the application form and syllabus, change “unable” to “enable”.

TESC 200: Approved with the following changes made by José: under section 4.b, the content is stricken, as this is not a variable credit course, but rather one which can be repeated; add to the catalog description: “May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits.”

TESC 211: Approved as submitted.

TESC 332: Approved with the following recommendations: change the abbreviated title to: “Conserv Biol Pract” as it is clearer for transcript reviewers; all content in the Catalog Description should be in “regular” upper and lower case (NO ALL CAPS NEEDED). Review
whether it having only a 1.5 in the prerequisite course is worth putting into the description (maybe if it were a 2.0 or higher?). Change in this final item is solely at the program’s discretion. Correct and return to José.

TESC 341: Approved as submitted.

TESC 437: Approved with the following change made by José: in the final line of the Catalog Description, end the sentence with: “…TESC 120; TESC 141; or permission of instructor.” to clarify the prerequisite requirement.

TESC 442: Approved with the following change made by José: add date to form.

TPSYCH 432: Approved as submitted.

TPSYCH: 431: Approved as submitted.

TSMIN 350: Return to IAS for resubmission. There are two grading scales in the syllabus, only one of which matches the application form. The course justification is weak. It is suggested the instructor consult with administrative staff to formulate this application correctly. Resubmit for consideration at next meeting.

TSMIN 480: Return to IAS for resubmission. Please change the title of the course (and accompanying abbreviated title) to more accurately reflect the content of the course, not just that it is study in China. The contact hours under 4a are very confusing and don’t seem to be based on any formula. It is suggested that the instructor consult the previously approved course for study in Cuba (on file with IAS staff) and use that as a model for formulating this section. Finally, “corequisite” in the Catalog Data, should probably be hyphenated. Resubmit for consideration at the next meeting.

TCRIM 360: Approved via online system with several grammatical changes made to the learning objectives. Tom will communicate these changes to the instructor for application to the original syllabus.

4. Next meeting

January 21, 2009 at 12:30

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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Committee Member