

Doctoral Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes
June 23, 2008

Present: Muehsam, Conroy, Edmonson, Klespis, Watts
Melinda Miller (for Debbie Price)
Janet Mullings (for Vickie Titterington)

- I. Approve Minutes
The minutes from the meetings of March 24, 2008 and May 12, 2008 were approved.
- II. P.E.O. (philanthropic educational organization)
The Committee was briefed and given literature on P.E.O., a philanthropic organization that targets educational opportunities for women. A representative from the organization has been asked to attend a future meeting of the Doctoral Advisory Committee to make a thorough presentation. The Committee is to review the literature to become acquainted with the organization.
- III. Graduate Orientation
Graduate Orientation is scheduled for Thursday, August 21, 2008. The Committee is to follow-up with their faculty/staff to assist in stimulating interest of students to attend the Orientation.
- IV. 18 Doctoral Characteristics
The 18 Doctoral Characteristics formed by The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board were discussed. The Committee will begin collecting required statistics to satisfy these qualifications and create a common template to present each program's information.
- V. Miscellaneous
The members are to think about the pros and cons of having outside readers at all dissertations. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

Dr. Larry Hoover of COCJ will be asked to attend a future meeting to share with the Committee how his college restructured comps.

Each Committee member will submit a list of core faculty to connect with Academic Analytics. The members should keep in mind their definition of how they want their Ph.D. program to be measured.