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**USFSP KATE TIEDEMAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS  
GRADUATE CURRICULA AND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE  
GCAC**

**Minutes of Meeting: February 19, 2016, C.E.**

Present: James Fellows, Chair  
Wei Guan  
Sharon Segrest  
Alison Watkins  
Eric Douthirt, Interim Director-KTCOB Graduate Studies, *ex officio*

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 2:30pm. The first order of business was a discussion of whether it was feasible to implement the previously approved substitution of the new course in Organizational Behavior(OB) for Leadership and Corporate Accountability(LCA) in the MBA core. There had been some concerns that staffing would be an issue, especially since the core courses are offered every semester, with generally two online courses per year. The GCAC decided to be forward-looking on this issue, and go ahead with the substitution, with qualified adjuncts helping to staff the course when needed, especially online sections. The GCAC formalized this decision by once again unanimously approving the motion to substitute OB for LCA in the MBA core. Because this is a change in the MBA core, the chair noted that this should be brought before the full faculty at the next meeting in March, before it is sent to the USFSP Graduate Council for their approval. The chair stated that there might be some concerns that the faculty will feel we are dropping a course, LCA, that is fundamental to the social responsibility emphasis of the MBA. However, Sharon Segrest, the Management representative to the GCAC, stated that OB will have sufficient coverage in ethics and social responsibility, so there will not be any reduction in the social responsibility emphasis of the MBA program.

The second order of business was a discussion of changes to the new M.Acc program. The Program of Accountancy faculty had previously approved the changes, and there had already been discussion via email amongst the GCAC members. After further discussion at the present meeting the GCAC approved the changes, with the proviso that it be specifically mentioned in the proposal that M.Acc students can take one pre-approved non-accounting elective as part of their 30-hour program. The chair stated that he would send the proposed changes forward to the USFSP Graduate Council for their discussion.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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