

**CUDRRICULUM COMMITTEE
MINUTES
DECEMBER, 2005**

Members present: Camellia St. John, chair, Susanne Peloquin, Debra Munsell, Abdul-H Amin, Carolyn Utsey

Agenda item: Review of the Doctorate in Physical Therapy Proposal

Discussion:

The committee reviewed the DPT proposal and the recommendations of the reviewers, Dr. Peloquin and Ms. Munsell. Their findings follow:

The group critiqued the elements of the proposal through the eyes of an external reviewer. The areas specifically investigated include the program description, educational objectives, admissions standards, degree requirements, curriculum, program evaluation, and the justification for the program.

The assessment of the needs section included the statements and supporting materials for the program's potential, projected enrollment, effect on the existing program, similarities and differences to other programs, and the process for accreditation .

The resources and costs section included a breakdown of personnel, library services, equipment, and facilities.

Action: The proposal was approved with the following recommendations: The proposal calls for a new faculty in the programs third year. The committee suggested that the timetable be advance to the first year and no later than the second; that a statement be provided regarding the programs alignment with the missions of the department, school, and university; that the philosophy of the program and the description of areas of emphasis be given more prominence; and that course descriptions be edited for consistency in content and format.