

Kenneth Levene Graduate School of Business

Faculty of Business Administration
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**Minutes of
Graduate Program Committee
October 26, 2006
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Room ED 509 – Dean's Boardroom**

Attendees: A. Lavack (chair)
J. Ito
B. Bonner
J. Marcotte (guest)
R. Ferner (guest)

Regrets: R. Camp
D. Senkow

1. MHRM Distance-Based Program

This was approved at Faculty & FGSR. Plans are underway to start the distance-based program beginning September 2007. Budget and tuition requests are being prepared for the University of Regina Budget Committee and Board of Governors.

2. MBA/MHRM

There are 17 applicants for Winter 2007. To date, six have accepted and more are expected. Anne recently attended MBA Recruitment Fairs in Calgary, Vancouver, Toronto, and Ottawa. Several international students expressed interest in the programs offered at the University of Regina.

Course change forms will be submitted to make GBUS 832 equivalent to the Advanced Standing Accounting designations.

3. Master's Certificates

It is planned to offer Master's Certificates beginning January 2007. We are currently waiting for the Board of Governors approval.

4. Executive MBA

There are 39 students enrolled in the Executive MBA program. In order to reduce the shipping and delivery costs for the 2007 Fall semester, books will need to be ordered for distribution by the end of March 2007. Therefore, we need to confirm the Fall 2007 instructors by January 2007, so that text books can be ordered in time.



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There are several recommended changes for the Executive MBA program, particularly in the order in which courses will be offered. We have found that some Executive MBA participants do not have strong math skills, so we will look into implementing a math proficiency exam.

Recruitment efforts for the Fall 2007 Executive MBA intake will begin in January 2007.

5. International Opportunities

Anne Lavack met with Canadian Bureau of International Education (CBIE) while in Ottawa last week, to investigate the potential to offer the University of Regina MBA in Amman, Jordan (or other locations). Students in such a program would graduate in Jordan with a University of Regina degree. Based on preliminary discussions, we feel that the Faculty is not large enough to become involved in such a labour-intensive overseas program, particularly since the Faculty's net revenue potential is only around \$100,000 per year for the first several years.

6. FGSR – Reps for FGSR Faculty Council

David Senkow, Jack Ito, and Bill Bonner will be representatives for this faculty on the FGSR Faculty Council.

7. Next Meeting

Proposed meeting dates for the next meeting will be set once Anne provides her schedule to Rhoda.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.