The next items discussed were program revision proposals. The first proposal was a revised Ed.D., which included 4 new/revised courses: 600, 601, 602 and 603. The revisions put the program in line with the specific standards and requirements for the accreditation agency, make the expectations of the program clearer, and help students complete in less time. The revision proposal for the Ed.D was unanimously approved.

The next items up for discussion included Education proposals to revise the Childhood and Early Childhood programs, leading to double certification either with Literacy or with Special Education. The programs were revised to move from 4 to 3 credit courses and prepare students for the job market with a dual certification in CED and either Literacy or SPED. Both revision proposals were unanimously approved.

The next items discussed included nine proposals to revise existing Master of Arts in Teaching programs, moving from 4 credits to 3 credits, changing from 42 credits to 35 credits and adding one required course important to fulfill new accreditation requirements. All nine MAT proposals were unanimously approved. The next items were nine parallel Master of Science in Education proposals in the same fields, also moving from 4 credits to 3 credits and adding one education elective. All 9 MSED proposals were unanimously approved.

The next item for discussion was an MBA program revision, moving from 4 credit courses to 3 credit courses and reducing the total program requirements from 69 to 57 credit hours. The program revision proposal was approved with a vote of 18 approved and 1 abstention.

The final item discussed was a new combined (4 + 1) degree proposal for a BA/MA in the Comparative Literature program, allowing a student to get both degrees in 5 years. It was determined that the proposal needs to go back to the department for some minor changes and will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Strategic Planning Committee This committee has not met.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

## V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. after a motion by Patrick Madden, seconded by Subimal Chatterjee.

Minutes recorded by Melissa Spencer, Secretary to the Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School