Minutes of CGSR Meeting #5 on 09/28/2023

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its **fifth meeting** of AY 23/24 on **September 28, 2023 (Thursday)** at 2 pm ET via Zoom and in SL 225.

Present: Sarah Olson (MA, Chair), Purvi Shah (BUS, Secretary), Luis Vidali (BIO), Dave Medich (PH), Rodica Neamtu (CS)

Guests: Melissa Terrio (Grad Recruitment and Admissions), Terri Camesano (Dean of Graduate Studies)

Prof. Olson called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm (US Eastern Time).

- The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the fourth CGSR meeting for AY 2023-24.
- Melissa Terrio shared updates on Campus Wellness Coalition
 - o First meeting was held yesterday. Some highlights from the meeting:
 - Students not seeking mental wellness help is mainly due to lack of time.
 Stigma is number 4 on this list.
 - Issues with faculty scheduling meetings on wellness days.
 - Wellness days are for the entire community, not only students.
- The committee continued the MS (Global Health) program discussion:
 - o Endorsement and support letters were received from several departments.
 - o Separate motions for three new courses have been submitted.
 - Epidemiology course will no longer be a Mathematics course; it will be a social science course (SS 510) - Principles of Epidemiology.
 - Question: Will the program be marketed to international students also, in addition to domestic/local students? This can influence the enrollment numbers as well as the marketing budget.
 - o The committee voted and approved the program.
- The committee discussed the motion to launch a STEM MBA program from the Business School. The points discussed were as follows:
 - o Program projections
 - o Curriculum design
 - Capstone format
 - Number of credits
 - o Work experience admissions requirement
 - STEM designation (Analytics CIP code)
 - o Comparison of courses to other universities

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm ET.