The Committee Chairperson, Margot Gregory called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, and welcomed members to the new semester. Since no one agreed to serve as secretary of the committee, Carolyn Kinslow agreed to record the minutes for the meeting.

Under new business, the committee discussed and voted upon the following grant proposals:

1. A request by Edris Montalvo in the amount of $3090.75 to take Cameron honors students to the Place, Ethnicity, and Place conference in Fort Worth, Texas was not approved because the request did comply with the committee guidelines that allow travel funding only under specific conditions.

2. A request by William Carney in the amount of $707.00 to attend the 2015 American Culture Association/Popular Culture Association in Albuquerque was not approved because the request did comply with the committee guidelines that allow travel funding only under specific conditions.

3. A request by Stephanie Boss and Andra Hunt in the amount of $5500.00 to help purchase a Fitmate Pro cardio pulmonary exercise testing system, which will be used to enhance the quality of pedagogy in the sports and exercise science curriculum and to support research activities was approved. The total cost of the system is $14,488.00, but they are requesting funds from multiple sources. The approval stipulates that the $5500.00 be returned to the committee if the entire cost of the system is not raised.

4. A request by Debra Ward in the amount of $6800.00 to purchase 25 seven-inch Samsung Tablets and 6 ten-inch Samsung tablets to be used to enhance instruction and learning in College Algebra classes through the incorporation of applets. Specifically, a student response app, a graphing calculator app, and a virtual manipulatives app will be purchased. The request was approved in the amount of $9500.00, an increase that will allow the purchase of equipment that the Cameron IT Department supports.

5. A request by Wendy Whitman-Cobb in the amount of $2506.00 to purchase seven iPad minis and cases for use by students who are members of the Cameron Model United Nations Team was approved.

6. A request by Matthew Van Sant in the amount of $5509.75 to purchase anatomical models and supplies to implement the Anatomy in Clay Teaching Method in multiple classes in the Department of Biological Sciences was approved.

7. A request by Lisa Huffman and Janel Cavazos in the amount of $4750.00 to purchase access to Top Hat software for 125 students in Human Development and Introductory Psychology was tabled. The committee recommends that, instead, they make a serious effort to use Black Board Collaborate, for which the university already owns a license.

8. A request by Thomas Labe in the amount of $2100.00 to professionally produce and edit approximately ten to twelve instructional videos to be embedded in an open source music appreciation textbook he is writing was approved.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.