

**International Education Committee (IEC)**

**Minutes**

**Friday, May 8, 2009**

**Chair: Vlatka Velcic**

**Recorder: Craig Fleming/Leslie Kennedy**

**Present:** Hamdi Bilici (Business Admin.), Ken Curtis (Center for International Education), Chris Druzgalski (Engineering), Marilei Denila (Associated Students), Craig Fleming (The Arts), Simon George (Int'l Community Council), Rebecca Groff (Student-Athlete Services), Elaine Haglund (Education), Jennie Hurley (President's Scholars), Yu Ji (The Arts), Duan Jackson (University Honors), Nathan Jensen (Center for International Education), Leslie Kennedy (Instructional Technology), Catherine Martin-Dunlap (Natural Sciences/Mathematics), Betsy McEaney (Liberal Arts), Carol Menard-Thorp (Student Life and Dev.), Leslie Nord (Liberal Arts), Sharon Olson (Staff Council), Laura Portnoi (Education), José Rivera-Chang (At-Large, Design), Edward Smith (Business Admin.), Sherry Vatter (At-Large, History), Vlatka Velcic (At-Large, Comp. World Lit./Classics)

**Absent Voting Members:** Terre Allen (FCPD), Elson Browne (Housing/Res. Life), Michael Blazey (Health and Human Services), Malcolm Finney (Liberal Arts, sabbatical leave), LLaura Garcia (Associated Students), Richard Haesly (Liberal Arts), Robin Lee (Career Development Center), Cecile Lindsay (Academic Affairs), Bei Lu (Engineering), Susan Luévano (Library), Nilufer Medora (Health and Human Services), Markus Muller (Liberal Arts), Shireen Pavri (Education), Raul Reis (CSU Acad. Council/Int'l Programs), Paul Scotton (CEP Council), Carlos Silveira (The Arts), Emyr Williams (Chair, Education Abroad Subcommittee), Mason Zhang (Natural Sciences/Mathematics)

**Guests:** Terri Armstrong.

**The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am.**

**I. Introduction**

- A. Agenda was approved.
- B. Minutes of April xxxxxx meeting approved.

**II. Elections**

- A. Leslie Kennedy was elected as Recorder. Sharon Olsen / Nathan Jensen (second).
- B. Vice chair – Hamdi Belici nominated. Sharon Olsen/Nathen Jensen (second).
- C. Chair – Vlatka Velcic.
- D. At Large – Sharon Olsen. Craig Fleming.
- E. No opposition. No abstentions.
- F. Hamdi Belici gave one year notice to the committee because he will be returning to the classroom.

- G. The committee broke into groups in order to concentrate on key topics and to be able to convene later in the meeting and share the outcome of the discussion. The groups were International Courses (Vlatka Velcic, Lead), Academic Support, Dan Yoder, Lead and international education needs and interests (Ed Smith, Lead)
- H. The committee discussed moving towards a university-wide global certificate. The intent would be to look for faculty who have used courses with international themes. Leslie Kennedy stated that she would provide a list of faculty who are using technology to connect internationally.
- I. Sharon Olsen mentioned that she had spoken with Helen Bogs at KJAZZ, and she had no problem featuring international jazz performers during international education week.
- J.

### **III. Small Group Reports**

- A. International Courses:
  - a. The members of the group felt they had contributed by requesting a demonstration of Elluminate, web-conferencing software, for the IEC.
  - b. The set an objective to identify models of instructs who are already using including student to student contact abroad.
  - c. We should encourage under represented disciplines to get involved.
  - d. Create a list of projects
  - e. Make a list of potential NGOs to work with. Robin Lee gather a list of NGO contacts.
- B. Academic Support
  - a. The members of this group successfully completed a survey of graduate advisors. The results indicate that there is no uniform approach to orientation and assisting thesis work and plagiarism.
  - b. The GWAR update was tabled. Writing task force was begin reviewed by the Senate. The GWAR policy.
  - c. Regarding the issues of plagiarism, the English department has a web site and the should consider partnering with the library and presenting this information at the graduate student orientation.
  - d. There should also be partnership with the writing resource lab. Tutors for thesis editing, English pronunciation available in Learning Assistance Center.
- C. International needs and ASsesment
  - a. The members of this group recognize a need for a needs assessment survey in order to identify and differentiate visa and exchange students' needs.
  - b. Show students the ropes
  - c. Home stays should be encouraged because it promotes life long friendship. Student Services coordinated homestays during the Hurricane Katrina recovery.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

These minutes have not yet been approved.