

**CSULB International Education Committee (IEC)
Standing Committee of the Academic Senate**

**Friday, September 7, 2012
11:30 am - 1:30 pm, AS 124B**

Minutes #

Present: Mark Washburn, Jeet Joshee, Nathan Jensen, Lily Gossage, Karen Estrella, David Anglin, Samie Blasingame, Bryony Coiver, Karla Gutierrez, Yin Liu, Pravina Cooper, Hema Ramachandran, Eileen Bosch, Elaine, Haglund, Nhora Serrano, Charles Slater, Leslie Farmer, Anne Ambrose, John Wang, Shadi Saaded, Nilufer Medora, Leslie Kennedy, Sharon Olson, Anne D'Zmura.

Absent Voting Members: Thomas Washington, Tim Keirn, Richard Marcus, Flora Banuett, Thomas Kelty, Chris, Druzgalski, Christopher Melford.

Guests:

I. Introduction

- A. Approval of Agenda (approved at 11:40 am)
- B. Approval of Minutes (approved at 11:42 am)
- C. Introductions
 - a. Mark Washburn asked IEC members to introduce themselves

II. General Reports

- A. Strategic Plan Update (Jeet)
 - a. Jeet briefed the committee on the 2010 task force set by the provost; committee collected data and made recommendations for a comprehensive strategic plan.
 - b. Past summer Nathan, Sharon, Jeet and others drafted the strategic plan (with recommendations) and sent them to the deans' office for feedback.
 - c. Jeet: Institute of Int'l Education of NY announced the Brazil-U.S. partnership in higher education and the new Science Without Borders Program, a scholarship program for Brazilian students focusing on the STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) to study at American and European universities. Fifteen of them are studying at CSULB.

- B. CIE Update (Nathan and Sharon)
 - a. CIE hired three people; there are no vacancies now.
 - b. Nathan: software for studying abroad is working; tool is up and running. Sharon gave details about the software program. Study Abroad website

- has information available on that. Jeet: in the near future, committee members will be asked to offer feedback on the new software.
- c. Sharon: right now only one portion of the Study Abroad database software is available – the one for students who look for information about study abroad. They can apply online and request faculty recommendations online as well. Searchable information for faculty is not available yet.
- d. Nathan announced the International Education Week will take place Nov. 13 -16.
- e. International Students on campus: Sharon explained that CIE deals with incoming and out coming students. Currently, there are 200 fee -paying students (Open University) from other countries aside from regular exchange students that came from partnering universities.
Jeet: there is no real difference between the two groups, but situation is complex.
- f. Sharon: several partner programs with students coming and going in both directions have been fully certified.
- g. Jeet: recommends caution about the number of exchange students accepted by the university. Currently, we are at a high point.

III. Business

A. Committees and Working Groups

Mark suggested that committee members look who is chairing each subcommittee and join the ones they are interested on.

a. Steering

i. Co-Chairs: Richard Marcus and Marl Washburn

ii. Vice-Chair: Leslie Kennedy

iii. Recording Secretary: Heloiza Herscovitz

iv. Member at Large: Shadi Saadeh

b. Nominating

c. Education Abroad (Dimitri)

d. Grants

e. Curriculum (Sharon)

f. International Students (Eileen)

g. South Asia (Pravina Cooper)

h. African (Uche)

B. Incentive Awards Review

a. Jeet confirmed the award.

b. Mark suggested that people join the committee that revises the proposal for the Incentive Awards. Nilufer suggested the committee keeps last's years members.

C. Global Studies Institute (run by Richard)

Elaine: GSI should be signed off by the provost next month. Mission: to reach

students that don't study abroad through interdisciplinary courses, among other elements. Jeet: advisory board has been formed. Jeet recognized Elaine's commitment and generosity to create GSI.

IV. Announcements :

- a. Nathan: Everyone will receive information on the International Education Week soon.
- b. Heloiza: The new Brazilian students will form a Brazilian Club advised by her.
- c. David: the music department is looking for collaboration with other departments regarding its performances on Mozart and Don Giovanni in April after spring break.
- d. Jeet: the tuition waver for study abroad on summer and winter has been confirmed (90-95 scholarships will be available with half tuition for 3 units).
- e. Eileen: library has developed new services and workshops for students, with extra information for int'l students. They will be announced in the library website. There is a webpage just for int'l students.

VI. Adjournment (at 1:15 pm)