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International Programs Committee meeting minutes [approved January 30, 2014]

December 4, 2013, 9-10am, Moccasin Flower Room

Present: Marynel Ryan Van Zee (Faculty, chair), Pilar Eble (ex-officio, Assistant Director of International Student Programs), Chlene Anderson (P&A), Sarah Ashkar (Study Abroad Advisor), Viktor Berberi (Faculty), Jimmy Schryver (Faculty), Molly Donovan (Student), Zehua/Jack Zhang (Student), Alex Kachan (Student), Michael Peters (Student)

Absent: Irene Maloney (USA), Sarah Buchanan (Faculty)

(1) We had a report from the subcommittee on curricular development grants and discussion of the potential use of what might remain after grants are awarded.

The \$500 in the budget for on-campus curricular development was awarded to Mark Collier.

Since there was no requests for off campus grants- the committee would like to reallocate the money to on campus curricular development grants.

They will also award \$900 of the \$3000 from the off campus grants allocation to three on-campus requests. The committee decided to give \$300 to Miller, Narvaez, and Eckerle as money for books for courses they are revamping or creating. Each application also included requests for salary support. Narvaez asked for \$1200 for travel to Brazil for his development of History of Brazil course. The committee decided \$300 was a fair amount considering the amount in the budget.

Schryver pointed out Ben Narvaez asked for \$1200 for travel- which would leave only \$1000 in the on-campus/off-campus budget, if awarded. The subcommittee would like to table the allocation and meet one more time and make a final decision regarding \$1200 for Narvaez.

(2) We then addressed the question of what we want to propose for the revision of our mission statement language.

Our proposed text had been:

Proposed revision of the IPC's Mission Statement:

A. Mission

IPC is an active committee that oversees international activity on campus while shaping UMM's policies on **education** abroad. It promotes campus-wide international awareness through sponsoring programs (speakers, films, international events), offering grants to internationalize the curriculum, **screening proposals for UMM study abroad programs**, and screening applicants for study abroad scholarships.

B. Duties and Responsibilities

The International Programs Committee develops and coordinates international programs and activities on the Morris campus. It **acts as** a liaison between this campus and the university-wide **Global Programs and Strategy Alliance, and provides representatives to the All-University International Programs Council.**

Dean Bart Finzel is not in agreement with the underlined text, and the VCAA/Dean and Chancellor are the ones asked to assign representatives to the council. A motion was made to simply strike the underlined text and stop at "...Alliance."

Motion was approved and seconded. The committee agreed with Dean Finzel to strike the text regarding the membership of the all-university IPC. Chair will forward the new mission statement to the appropriate governance committee for consideration and presentation to Campus Assembly.

Discussion of Dean Finzel's comments and suggestions at our November 20, 2013 meeting; identification of priorities and assignment of subcommittees and/or discussion of how much we want IPC to do? Connect with discussion of \$2204.25?

(3) The chair reminded everyone of upcoming subcommittee responsibilities: Johnson scholarship review subcommittee [December 6 deadline]; Study Abroad scholarship review subcommittee [February 14 and April 11 deadlines]; and Study Abroad proposal review subcommittee [February 24 deadline – the chair will check to see if an announcement of this deadline has been made, as it is optimal if this goes out at the same time as the grant application announcement].

The chair requested that IPC members update their Google calendars by January 13 so that we can try to find a common meeting time.

(4) The chair re-capped from her notes what Dean Bart Finzel said at our November 20, 2013 meeting:

He does not see study abroad would return to our campus in the next few years, as it would be a campus-wide initiative and the will and resources are not currently here... but we could seek it as a quality initiative for 2017.

We are a policy committee and can set policy for the campus. We could be a sounding board, for campus, on issues related to internationalization in any way.

Finally, he suggested that this committee is charged with internationalization and we should pick 3-4 priorities to focus on.

Based on Dean Finzel's reference to the strategic plan from 2006, Marynel excerpted and provided all sections with international questions or priorities.

(5) We had a lively discussion of potential priorities and agreed that we will devote our first meeting for Spring Semester to topics related to international students on our campus. IPC members are encouraged to add new topics to the google docs document that Sarah Ashkar was kind enough to volunteer to create.

Chinese language instruction

Making intl students feel a part of campus

Diversify the international student body

Intercultural training for staff and faculty

Increase direct exchanges

Language requirement for all students, do we need more language support?

NC funding- help fund students who are not on UMM SA trips

1. Students

2. study abroad fundng

3. language support

The meeting was adjourned at 10am. Our next meeting date will be determined once schedules are available in January.

Minutes submitted by Pilar Eble.