University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 3, 2016
Phillips Hall 283

Present: Manny Fernandez, Shanti Freitas, Stephen Hill, Paul Kaldjian, Cheryl Lochner-Wright, David Lonzarich, Colleen Marchwick, Kim Reed (secretary), John Rosenow, Shintaro Yamazaki
Guest: Wei Cai “Lilly”-Visiting Scholar from Changshu Institute of Technology

Absent: Jason Anderson, Rose-Marie Avin, Linda Carlson, Ben Corbett, Nancy Hanson-Rasmussen, Karen Havholm, Erik Hendrickson, Sam Fish, Theresa Kemp, Kerry Kincaid, Cheryl Lapp, Ling Liu, Heather Pearson, Alan Rieck, Eric Torres

Handouts: Agenda, Minutes of 18 Feb 2016, Languages D2D Proposal

1) Approval of Minutes of 3 March 2016

2) Adjustment: Remove from the agenda—Academic Master Plan-Strategic Plan
   a) Paul sent the UWEC Internationalization Vision Statement to MJ Brukardt, University Planning Committee

3) Business
   a) City Council Sister Cities March 1 meeting: Paul reports there is no individual or group that is interested in moving forward with building up the Sister City program in Eau Claire. Kerry Kincaid would like to keep Lismore as a sister city and communicate with them to find out what they would like out of the relationship. There was interest by two people to propose a Nordic county. Suggestion was made for one of them to move forward and propose the idea to City Hall. CIGE can be involved by making suggestions on what the city can do to improve their efforts in global engagement.

   b) Jill Olm, Foster Gallery Director, shared the student art images from the juried art event. The excel file was sent to everyone. Please look at the images before the next meeting so we can talk about ideas to move forward.

   c) We received a proposal from Carter Smith, Department of Languages to establish a D2D relationship with UPAEP in Pueblo, Mexico. The CIE has recently established semester, summer, and AY exchanges with UPAEP. Discussion followed about the aspects of the D2D including logistics and funding (a portion of the trip will be funded by UPAEP). Colleen motioned to fund the project with the amount of $1307. Everyone present was in favor and the motion passed. Action Item: Send award letter to Carter Smith.

   d) Steve Hill discussed the continuation of the Eastern European Symposium that has been running for about 30 years. He would like to host a symposium in October 2016 pending funding. He is requesting financial support from the Council. (CIGE sponsored in spring 2014). Steve will bring a draft proposal to the next meeting, including theme, potential speakers, and timeline for the Council’s review. He would like to send out requests for donations to the “Friends of the Symposium” who typically highly subsidize the event to get a better idea of the amount of additional money needed to proceed. Ideas generated
included partnering with: Forum speakers, ORSP, Visiting Monitory Scholar Program, and the Fulbright program.

4) The Study Abroad Photo Contest pictures are currently displayed in Davies (3rd floor display cases, outside Ojibwe ballroom) through April 1. Please see article: http://www.uwec.edu/news/stories/study-abroad-photo-contest-top-10_92174 and blog post: https://medium.com/why-uw-eau-claire/.

5) Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Reed