Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement  
Meeting Minutes  
2/19/2015

Present: Linda Carlson, Sam Fish, Shanti Freitas, Nancy Hanson-Rasmussen, Karen Havholm, Stephen Hill, Paul Kaldjian, Theresa Kemp, David Lonzarich, Karl Markgraf, Kim Reed (Council Secretary), Eric Torres

Absent: Cindy Albert, Jason Anderson, Rose-Marie Avin, Ben Corbett, Analisa De Grave, Erik Hendrickson, Kerry Kincaid, Cheryl Lapp, Ling Liu, Alan Rieck, John Rosenow

Guests: Mike Carney

Handouts: Agenda, Minutes of 2/5/15, CIGE Expenses

1) Welcome and adjustments to the agenda

2) Business
   a) Shanti reported that she received 11 FLIE proposals for FY 2015-16. The committee is reviewing proposals. Total request for funding is double what is allocated for the program.
   b) Follow up from last meeting
      i) Paul met with Stephanie Jamelske and Kim Way regarding funding the CIGE budget for next fiscal year. We should expect similar funding going forward. CIGE expenses for FY14 and FY15 (to date) were shared in an effort to discuss what types of spending/programming should be continued into the future. Paul suggested continuing salaries (Chair stipend, secretary, and student worker) and averaging other expenses of FY14 and FY15. He will keep the budget request as progressive as possible. Karl encouraged to keep the D2D program going since exchange programs cost less for students than study abroad experiences. Paul reported that there are four geography students from Aberdeen that are planning to attend UWEC as exchange students next year. This is more than usual.
      ii) Paul met with Becky Dienger, Director of Marketing, regarding the website. She was responsive to adding global engagement, student exchange, immersions, etc. to the Study Abroad area of the website. She would like specific pictures and stories to highlight.
      iii) Shanti reported an issue has come up about the minimum duration of faculty-led immersion experiences. Some departments have enquired if experiences can be shorter than two weeks. Most recently, Nursing has brought up this issue in regards to their one week service learning trip to San Salvador. Currently, the minimum is twelve days in country, with two travel days for a total minimum of 14 days. The current RFP brought in 11 proposals with only enough money allocated to fund five. Discussion centered on whether outcomes could be addressed in one week, how long the immersion has to be for student impact, and quality of experience vs. length of experience. Shanti mentioned that in the current RFP,
there is a section where one can justify why the proposal is less than 14 days. She remarked that no one submitted a proposal for less than 14 days.

3) Please attend one of the Peruvian events next week.

4) Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Reed

The next meeting is Thursday, April 2, 2 p.m. Phillips 283