Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement
Meeting Minutes
2/5/2015

Present: Shanti Freitas, Karen Havholm, Stephen Hill, Paul Kaldjian, Theresa Kemp, Ling Liu, Kim Reed (Council Secretary), Alan Rieck, John Rosenow, Eric Torres

Absent: Cindy Albert, Jason Anderson, Rose-Marie Avin, Linda Carlson, Ben Corbett, Analisa De Grave, Sam Fish, Nancy Hanson-Rasmussen, Erik Hendrickson, Kerry Kincaid, Cheryl Lapp, David Lonzarich, Karl Markgraf,

Guests: Mike Carney


1) Welcome and adjustments to the agenda
2) Approval of Minutes of 4 December 2014
3) Business
   a) Paul asked Council members to start thinking about what CIGE budget items are indispensable as we move forward to make recommendations to the Provost. He stated that we gave money back last year. Shanti asked for a list of what has been spent. Action Item: Provide a list of CIGE expenditures for next meeting.
   b) Sponsored Activities
      i) Backgammon Tournament, Feb. 21 & 28 in McIntyre Library
      ii) The Photo Contest ends today. Reception with photo unveiling will be held in Davies-3rd floor display cases, Tuesday, Feb. 17, 3 p.m.
      iii) Peru Partners from PUCP are coming the week of Feb. 23. Presentations and meetings are being scheduled with representatives from Education Studies, Geography, and Music & Theatre. There will be a Skype chat before arrival and a formal signing of the MOU with the Chancellor while they are here. Kim is keeping a master schedule of events. If you are interested in attending the formal MOU, please contact Eric Torres or Kim so it can be confirmed with the Chancellor’s Secretary. If you would like a classroom visit by one of representatives, contact Kim or Eric.
      iv) Other Events
         (a) International Women’s Day, March (more information to come)
         (b) Wisconsin Association of International Educators, March 19 & 20, in Eau Claire. Reception at UW-Eau Claire, March 19. Paul will forward e-mail to Council members.
         (c) Juan Cole, April 1, Arab World Lecture Series
         (d) Piotr Niewiadomski, April 17, Geographer, University of Aberdeen. He will be available for talks April 16 and/or April 17. Let Paul know if you are interested.
c) Linda Carlson will be holding presentations on Teaching International Students on 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/19 at CETL (please see handout).

d) Paul has been working with Karl, Marc Goulet, and Colleen Marchwick on putting together a proposal for UW-Eau Claire to offer the Peace Corp Prep program. The Peace Corp Prep curriculum is designed to prepare students for the Peace Corps or other international service programs. The proposal will be submitted later this month. If UW-Eau Claire is selected, the program would be housed in Liberal Studies. If you would like to see the proposal, contact Paul.

e) Discussion of the new UW travel policy and difficulties in making arrangements for non-English speaking guests.

f) Paul shared an admissions recruitment flyer titled, “Study Abroad & Student Exchange”. He also talked about language on the new website. He is wondering how we can incorporate all global activities that are happening on campus into the website and promotional material. Everyone was supportive of Paul following up with Heather Kretz regarding the flyer and Becky Dienger regarding the website.

g) Alan reported that his department relationship with Stellenbosch University is going well. There are ideas being shared from both Universities. Stellenbosch is considering sending graduate students to UW-Eau Claire.

h) Heather Johnson-Schmitz shared an e-mail regarding a grant that would support US-Russia university partnerships. Paul will share this e-mail with all Chairs in CAS.

i) We received two RFP’s for International events on campus. The funding is coming from the Council’s 102 account and we’ve budgeted for five speakers at $1,250 each.

   a) The first proposal is from Will Taylor/Deb Freund in Biology to bring Alberto Zambrano, a naturalist guide from the Galapagos Islands to campus. He will speak on conservation issues from the past and into the present.

   b) The second proposal is from Alan Rieck in Music, to bring Dr. Luis Peirano, Dean of the School of Scenic Arts, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP), to campus to explore curricular connections and global collaboration opportunities between PUCP and UW-Eau Claire.

   c) Both speakers would include large public lectures, class visits, and presentations/meetings with the chairs, faculty, and students. The proposals were considered and members unanimously voted to approve to fund both events in the amount of $1,250 to each department. The suggestion was made by Karen to reimburse for actual costs rather than transferring all monies, so that we can stretch our funds further. Another suggestion was made to take pictures while the speakers are on campus and publicize the events.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Reed

The next meeting is Thursday, February 19, 2 p.m. Phillips 283