

CSULB INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (IEC)

**Minutes # 5: Tuesday, February 9, 2016
Noon – 2:00 PM (FO2 101A)**

Attendees: Tim Keirn, Richard Marcus, Charles Slater, Sharon Olson, Terrence Graham, Jeet Joshee, Dana Sumpter, Leakhena Nou, Flora Banuett, Karl Squitier, Heather Barker, Nicole Estanol, Clarice Ross, Francine Vasilomanolokis, Christina Nellis, Elaine Haglund, Roger Lo, Eugenia Kim

1. Introductions

- Tim: No need to really replace leave replacements for three meetings.
- Charlie: VMJ Lecture in Education. Tim to send invitation.
- Approval of Agenda
 - Charlie moved. Seconded. Approved unanimously
- Approval of December Minutes
 - Moved and seconded. Elaine: Using full terms not just acronyms for example such as CIE, SA, CO, CCPE. Richard: will be cautious. Passed unanimously.
- Introducing New Members: Cindy Chen and Ming Chen
 - i. Neither at the meeting
- Introducing Todd Wallenius (GSI Grad Student)

2. Reports

- AVP Joshee Report
 - Trying to change name of department to International Student and Scholar services that oversees visas, working with departments, etc.
 - Introduction of new International Student Director Eugenia Kim
 - Discussion of out of state versus international students. Topic is talked about a lot on our campus and in the CSU. 3.68% of CSULB students are international students. A recent study nationally over the past ten years gives an

indicator of the international shift taking place. Alabama tops the list. 2014 72% out of state. Two California institutions: Berkeley 26%, UCLA 23% non-resident with high percentage international. They were very aggressive at recruiting internationally. They were very public about this being a way of meeting budget shortfall.

- Discussion of how study abroad might delay graduation. This is an ongoing issue. The advising issue is a problem on campus too not just for study abroad. It is true also in faculty minds. Richard: concern about the limited capacity of college advising offices; some college offices not partnering or messaging in supportive fashion (perception that you can't study abroad). EAIE (European International Association) - tells you what study abroad does to a graduate. A study by ERASMUS (European Region Action Scheme for the Mobility of University Students) reveals how study abroad helped. Richard: any conversation of easing of Timely Graduation Rate? Terrance: discussion with Mahmood in Institutional Research about getting data point on impact of study abroad on time to degree. With that data point we can present evidence to make an argument. Tim: need to consider timeliness to value metric as well. If Study Abroad increases value to degree isn't it worth it? We don't want to lose track of that metric. Jeet: that will largely be qualitative data.
- New provost: he will be on campus once per week starting in March. New initiatives in Academic Affairs with a doubling of study abroad.
- Tim: Jane Connoley coming to May meeting of the IEC.
- CIE by Terrence Graham
 - i. Fine arts gallery exhibit of 51 photos from summer study abroad participants (since 2008). Successful pilot. Will be made into a coffee table book and it will become a regular annual event. Need to more widely publicize in the future.
 - ii. Phi Beta Delta induction - International Studies Honor Society will be raised at Multicultural Dinner Show.

Sharon: target students? Terrance: we are not widely campaigning right now; this is a kick off. Richard: Concern with synergies between the Phi Beta Delta and Multicultural Show? And, concern that inductees need to pay to attend the Multicultural show (perhaps dissuading inductees)? Terrance: the economic aspect is a concern. Goal to grow Multicultural show out of just international students. Tim: Plug the Phi Beta Delta at PAWS event? Terrance: in the future it needs to be faculty to take on a greater role. For now it is Sean from the American Language Institute (ALI), but ultimately it should be about mentorship. Elaine: we were the founding chapter and need to promote it. Elaine: addressed issue that students couldn't pay the membership fees.

- iii. Multicultural Dinner Show joint event. April 23 (Saturday).
- iv. PAW and Visiting Scholar Event. The two together on the theme of international engagement. Report out on PAWS at that event. Tim: Recognize those who won global curriculum awards as well and Terrance agrees.
- a. IP Conference on Campus (Richard Marcus) - April 14th and 15th. Richard presented about the Academic Council for International Programs. He will extend invitations to April social event(s). Discussion about the differences between International Programs (IP) and CSULB programs. Richard: Program Review is perhaps the single largest difference beyond spending an Academic Year. Sharon: Agreed, we don't have a five-year process. This is a workload issue. If this committee wants to do this there are 59 agreements. Richard to take the IP template that will be created over the summer and review with Sharon and bring it to IEC as a possible way to augment program review at CSULB. The goal of that presentation by Richard and Sharon in the fall will focus on what it would take and is that possible given workload concerns.

3. New Business

- Recreation Center and International Students (Em)
 - i. International students come a week before classes start. Can ASI look into whether membership can start before

classes. Jeet: may be more complicated as it is when they are enrolled. Terrance: exchange students are enrolled before they arrive so they can start; other international students no. Jeet: will enquire. Terrance: we have such an arrangement with residence halls.

- Working Committee Update -- Student Study Abroad Scholarships (Terrence)
 - i. When we met in November - there was a window of opportunity to review this. We missed that window of opportunity. What we decided is to make another attempt but with a more favorable timeline – a fall deadline. We want to reform that group. One issue is that it is such a big group. Agree to reform this term and then vote on it in May. March 14 is the student due date for Summer/Fall pool. We need a lot of readers and scoring them. We propose external readers submitting scores and then a small group of perhaps 6 that reviews the scores. Sharon: we are close to 200 who have started and we have 157 to give out.
- PAW CFP (Tim)
 - i. April 15 due date.
 - ii. Question of criteria. Process is not scored against criteria.
 - iii. Misunderstanding about when they have to do the travel.
 - iv. Richard: supporting Tim's point about need to clarify criteria as well as dates of travel. Move to create a small group - Tim Jeet, Terrance, and Richard.
- College of Business Innovations in IE (Dana Sumpter)
 - i. Came from a meeting last term about best practices from different colleges.
 - ii. Vietnam trip: short-term study abroad program in summer; with university in Hanoi. National Economics University of Vietnam in Hanoi. Tuition is free and students take an upper division finance class. Jeet: it is a side benefit to the larger agreement with National

Economics University. This doesn't get counted because it is off the record. We need to count that.

- iii. Germany - University of Applied Sciences in Hamburg. Teams work on an assignment before they go. Do site visits and internships. Workshops - student teams presenting research reports. Student host arrangements do not always work and that is a challenge. We do have a healthy roster of faculty who want to be involved on our side but only one host on their side; this makes the program vulnerable. Steady, consistent partnership is a risk looming. Tim: Do we have problems finding student hosts on our end? Dana: Yes, sometimes. Our students who go there are expected to then host German students back home in November.

- Liability and Study Abroad (Tim) - moved to next meeting.
- Global Incentive Awards: Richard reminder for 2015-16 awards and establishing a workshop with the awardees.

4. Other Business

- Tim: Indian Students Association changed name to South Asian Students Association
- Nikki: AS process. Current changes to AS structure. Associated Students (AS) President might change to five AVPs, or etc. Student concern towards the IEC position - large list of duties. How to not make it like a liaison not like a paid position. Fatima is already an AS Senator. Why not an International Students representative in AS? That person could then also represent to IEC.
- Student scholarship group was named: Flora, Tom, Elaine, Christy, and Nikki