

**MINUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**November 5, 2004**

The International Programs Advisory Committee met at 9:37 a.m. on Friday, November 5, 2004, in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Union.

Voting Members present: Dr. Frances Murphy, Dr. Roann Kopel, Dr. Alan Baharlou, Dr. Michael Cornebise, Dr. Marilyn Coles, Dr. Mahmood Butt, Dr. Stephen Canfield, Dr. Scott Crawford, Mr. Miljan Markus, Mr. Jerrod Woodruff

Voting Members absent: Dr. Dagni Bredesen

Ex-Officio and Staff present: Ms. Adrienne Paladino, Ms. Elyse Lyons, Dr. Bonnie D. Irwin, Ms. Sue E. Songer, Ms. Pam Collins

Ex-Officio and Staff absent: Dr. Robert M. Augustine, Mr. William J. Elliott

I. The minutes of October 1, 2004 were approved as read.

II. Items to be added to the Agenda.  
Approval of 2005 Short Term Study Abroad Proposal for Paris  
Change in International Environment of Business Short Term Proposal

III. Agenda Items to be acted on.  
**Approval of the 2005 Short Term Study Abroad Proposal for Paris**

**Paris: Art History Study Abroad; Directors: Janet T. Marquardt & Stephen A. Canfield**

- A. Stephen Canfield discussed some of the changes that were being made to the program this year and explained that an independent study project is being required of the students.
- B. Dr. Butt moved to approve the proposal and Dr. Kopel seconded the motion.
- C. A vote was taken and the above program was unanimously approved by IPAC.

## **Change in International Environment of Business Short-Term Proposal**

- A. Roann Kopel stated that there was a change in the study abroad trip. Christie Roszkowski had been replaced by James Jordan-Wagner. Roann Kopel also brought up the fact that they were considering only offering 3 semester hours. After discussion, Pam Collins told Roann Kopel that the program cannot be reduced to 3 hours and that it can only be approved for 6 semester hours. The program needs to be modified to offer 2 courses, with one course which can be offered as an independent study.

### **IV. Reports**

- A. Dr. Robert Augustine (per Sue Songer)

- 1. International Courtyard Meeting was held on October 19, 2004 with Dagni Bredesen, Jill Nilsen, Steve Rich, Karla Evans, Sue Songer, Bill Elliott, Roann Kopel and Robert M. Augustine. No money is available and 100% of the funds will need to be raised. Sue Songer and Jill Nilsen had an initial meeting with Eulalee Anderson and she was quite helpful in obtaining information for contacting many international alums who might be able to help support this mission. The idea of the courtyard is very well supported to make a permanent memorial to our students around the world. Cost estimates are most likely over \$200,000.

- B. William J. Elliott

- 1. Sue Songer explained that Bill was meeting with the Study Illinois group, as Chairman of Study Illinois today and that she was going to deliver Bill's report.
- 2. A memo (in hot pink) that references the mandated \$100 SEVIS fee which is to be paid before a student's VISA appointment is sent to all prospective students that have been accepted and are sent their I-20s. Dr. Butt suggested to check and see how other universities are handling the \$100 SEVIS fee and asked if NAFSA assist in trying to do something about this fee. Dr. Canfield suggested that we need to change the memo to reflect that there is no guarantee of a VISA, even though they are paying the \$100 fee.

- C. Sue Songer

- 1. AIS participated in the EIU Homecoming Parade and won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Walking Division.
- 2. The International Forum held on October 20, 2004, had over 100 people attend and was a huge success. Sue hopes this will help the attendance at the following forums.
- 3. Ikefuma Nwosu's father, His Royal Highness, Dr. Gibson Nwosu, who is the King of the Awaka people of Nigeria and Chancellor of Usmanu Fodio University, the second oldest university in Nigeria, visited with several

members of International Programs and a luncheon was hosted in his honor. He is hoping to return for Ikefuma's graduation.

4. NAFSA Regional Conference is being held this week, November 6-9, 2004 in Ann Arbor, MI. Sue Songer, Bill Elliott, Adrienne Paladino and Elyse Lyons will be attending this conference. Sue and Bill were chosen to be mentors in NAFSA and will begin their first mentoring training at NAFSA.
5. IPAC members are encouraged to attend the November 16, 2004 International Forum on "Being Muslim at EIU."
6. IPAC members were asked to attend the Old Main Holiday Open House "Christmas Around the World" where the trees will be decorated by the international students. The dates are December 8, 2004 from 5-7 pm and December 9, 2004 from 10:00-11:30 am. International students will also be distributing international recipes.
7. Thursday, December 2, 2004 is the International Holiday Banquet. The William G. Kirk International Leadership Award will be presented to William G. Kirk at the banquet.

#### D. Elyse Lyons

1. Currently there are 26 students planning on studying abroad for Spring 2005.
2. Program Reorganization
  - a. Received almost all information to complete the faculty-led proposals.
  - b. Database in progress!
  - c. 3 upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> Step Meetings
  - d. 3 Upcoming Panels to focus on Australia, Spain, and clumped together Wales, Germany, Netherlands.
  - e. Summer Informational Meeting – November 30, 2004 in the Grand Ballroom at 5-6 pm or 7-8 pm.
  - f. Updating information for each Affiliated Program or Exchange for the website.
  - g. Student Study Abroad Handbook and Parent Handbook almost complete.
  - h. Planning for Departure Orientation
3. Marketing and Networking
  - a. Visited ISU's Study abroad Office to discuss how their program functions,
  - b. Study Abroad Society had their first meeting.
  - c. Summer Advertisement will be everyday the week before Thanksgiving Break in the form of flyers around campus and ads in the newspaper.
  - d. Summer Study Abroad Newsletter is in progress.
  - e. Bulletin Boards in the Residence Halls.
  - f. Met with the Deans Council to discuss what different colleges need to do. Elyse will be meeting with the College of Arts and Humanities to discuss universities with classes that might fit into their curriculum.

E. Scholarship Committee Report

1. Dr. Butt stated that the Scholarship Committee met and they came up with 9 full tuition waivers for the Spring 2005 semester. The students met all criteria and the tuition waivers were allocated to a diversity of nations.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING**  
**Friday, December 3, 2004**  
**9:30 a.m.**  
**Martinsville Room, Martin Luther King, Jr. Union**

**Agenda Items:**

None at this time