

COMMISSION ON OUTREACH AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Minutes

September 9, 2010

3:30-4:30 p.m.

325 Burruss Hall

Attendance: Onwubiko Agozino, Maggie Appel-Schumacher, Jan Helge Bøhn, Peter Callan (via phone), Susan Clark, Jack Davis, S.K. De Datta, François Elvinger, Christine Fiori, Alan Grant, Lori Greiner, Gary Long, Fadel Megahed, Lenah Nguyen (via phone), John Provo, Bob Smith and Debra Stoudt

Absence: Andrea Brunais, Kirsten Buhls, Jeri Childers, John Dooley, Devi Gnyawali, Joao Maciera

1. Welcome and Introductions

Jan Helge Bøhn welcomed everyone. Self-introductions were made.

A background of COIA was given-purpose of this council is to move items to University Council.

2. Agenda Approval

Jan Helge Bøhn made a call for the approval of the agenda; the agenda was moved to approve; seconded and was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes, May 6, 2010

Jan Helge Bøhn announced that the May 6, 2010 Minutes had been sent out for review to the group to be electronically approved and was forwarded to University Council for approval.

4. Chairman's Report

Jan Helge Bøhn gave a report on the meeting of Commission Chairs Report, which was hosted by President Steger. The meeting was postponed. He indicated at the re-scheduled meeting he would give a summary of what was discussed at the COIA meetings from last year.

Jan Helge Bøhn called for nominations for Vice-Chair for COIA. He went through the list of members to determine who was eligible; a nomination for Gary Long was made; it was voted on. Gary Long was named the Vice-Chair for COIA for 2010-2011.

5. Commission Board Member Comments

Susan Clark asked about additional goals for the white paper on Engaged Scholarship. Response was that at the end of last meeting; it was discussed that the white paper on Engaged Scholarship would be a standing item on the agenda.

Christine Fiora asked if we set the goals for the Commission. The response was that the comments item on the agenda would be a forum for the discussion if these issues.

Fadel Megahed asked if there would be more concentration on International Affairs this year. The consensus was, yes, that we focus more on International Affairs this year than in the past.

Jack Davis asked about the dimension on Outreach Engagement. He indicated that this has occurred in Architecture and hasn't been given much discussion.

Discussion evolved around International Engaged Scholarship; what policies are involved; negative impacts on college (i.e., lack of sharing/communication of what others are doing and how it relates to policies).

Discussion also included the theme for next year's Outreach NOW program: Internationalization. S.K. De Datta responded that the International issues go through the University Council on International Affairs (UCIA) and are brought back here to COIA. There was discussion about putting the Outreach Council and the UCIA reports together on the Agenda.

6. Reports

a. Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE)

Alan Grant spoke about the VCE and the national search for a new Director of VCE. They are currently interviewing and hope to wrap up the search in October.

He also talked about the 5-year strategic plan that was initiated in May 2009 involving internal and external stakeholders. The VCE has been sharing drafts among groups through the Commonwealth and hope to finalize within the next couple of weeks and to share with the stakeholders.

229 is facing significant budget challenges. There is an 8.7% reduction for next fiscal year. The hope is to come up with a new structure to meet the needs yet still provide programs within budgets. Some of the programs have been cut.

b. University Council on International Affairs (UCIA)

Debra Stoudt spoke about the recent UCIA meeting. Discussion at the UCIA meeting included health insurance for Study Abroad; medical waivers to participate in abroad programs; housing for international faculty; global proficiency certificate; and the search for a new Director of Education Abroad.

FUTURE COIA MEETINGS (all meetings from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in 325 Burruss)

October 14, 2010

November 4, 2010

December 9, 2010

NO JANUARY MEETING

February 10, 2011

March 17, 2011

April 14, 2011

May 5, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary