

COMMISSION ON OUTREACH AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Minutes

November 12, 2009

3:30-4:30 p.m.

325 Burruss Hall

Attendance: Ray Ali, Megan Armbruster (guest), Jan Helge Bøhn, John Browder, Jeri Childers, Susan Clark, Terry Clements, S.K. De Datta, Jim Dubinsky (sub for Jane Wemhoener), Billie Jean Elmer (via phone), François Elvinger, Devi Gnyawali, Lori Greiner, Gary Long, Patrick Miller (guest), Ellie Spitzer (sub for Sharon Meehan), Fadel Megahed, Thomas Olson (sub for Bob Smith), Max Stephenson

Absent: John Dooley, A.L. (Tom) Hammett, Joao Macieira, Lenah Nguyen, Sharon Meehan, Mike Roberts, Rick Rudd, Gerhard Schurig, Ted Settle, Bob Smith, Jane Wemhoener

1. Welcome and Introductions

Terry Clements welcomed everyone. Self-introductions were made.

2. Agenda Approval

Terry Clements requested approval of the agenda; motion was made to approve; it was seconded and the agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes, October 8, 2009

Terry Clements announced that the October 8, 2009 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

Terry Clements reported that the University Council had a first and second reading of proposed changes in the constitution of the SGA.

5. Vice-Chairman's Report

Jan Helge Bøhn announced that Brian Benham has agreed to serve on the selection committee for the Alumni Awards for Outreach Excellence. The committee also includes: Jan Helge Bøhn, Susan Clark, Billie Jean Elmer and Devi Gnyawali. The deadline for submission is December 1, 2009. The committee will meet on December 9, 2009 at 11 a.m. by phone.

6. Reports

a. Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE)

Ray Ali noted that the group is half way through the Strategic Planning process and hope to be completed by February 2010. Alumni Awards are to be posted by next week. The 229 budget is pressing and there will be a 4.5 million reduction. Ray indicated they hope to offset by stimulus money.

b. University Council on International Affairs (UCIA)

John Browder spoke about the UCIA meetings which occurred on October 22 and November 12, 2009. He talked about launching the regional center in India. . John discussed that S.K. De Datta and John Dooley recently returned from India and that a financial as well as a real estate commitment was still needed.

John gave clarification for the use of program fees for summer study abroad programs.

7. Engagement Academy Team Report

Patrick Miller spoke about the Engagement Academy and how participants from all over the United States come and learn about Engagement. Ray Ali, Nancy Franz, Bill Galloway, John Provo, Patrick Miller, Megan Armbruster, Bob Smith and Nicole Sanderlin all serve on a team that is following from last year's participation. Patrick hopes to have a report back to administration in April. He hopes to collect different documents from other Universities (see handouts).

8. Engagement White Paper Discussion

Jeri Childers will lead a discussion in December on the White Paper. The White Paper means different things to different people. Jeri to get Kim the Venn diagram to distribute with the next agenda as well as the most recent White Paper document.

9. Commission Board Member Comments

Discussion included inviting Kristy DiVittorio from VBI to come to a future COIA meeting to discuss Kid's Tech. Terry Clements to follow up.

Dates for 2009-2010, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; 325 Burruss Hall

December 10, 2009

February 11, 2010

March 4, 2010

April 8, 2010

May 6, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Rhodes
Recording Secretary