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Global Initiatives
Meeting Minutes
3-25-22

In attendance: Jim Johnson, Emily Nodine, Yudit Greenberg, Astha Sen, Ed Bustos, Blake Robinson, Fiona Brown, Dan Flick, Jenifer Ruby, Doragnes Bradshaw, Marc Sardy

GIC Meeting Agenda: Friday 3/25/22 at 2:00 pm.

- Unanimous approval of January and February meeting minutes (attached)
 - Motion: Yudit
 - Seconded: Emily
- Update from Jenifer Ruby on Diversity Council interest in collaborating for event in the fall semester
 - Jenifer not able to attend March DC meeting
 - Faculty did not have bandwidth to get something together for fall 2022
 - Open to partnering for spring 2023
 - Diversity Council meeting in April.
 - Zeynep may wish to join Global Initiatives meeting in April.
 - Further discussion tabled until April meeting
- Discussion and decision about adding a Holt representative to the committee
 - Doragnes is effectively “de facto” Holt rep, but there is no official Holt rep
 - Do we need a permanent Holt rep to increase Holt participation in GI?
 - Discussion of demographics, enrollment, etc. about Holt as it stands.
 - Business, Education, Public Health, [fourth major] have some global component
 - This could be a way for Holt staff to get involved in Global Initiatives
 - Proposal is to serve for one-year term
 - Support among various committee members for this proposal
 - Some concern about precedent: Will we need to have permanent CLA staff representation and Crummer staff representation? Committee may get too large.
 - Some folks are in favor of proposal, others are opposed. Discussion of Holt’s unique circumstances vis-à-vis CLA and Crummer.
 - Suggested that Diversity Council has permanent Holt rep; why not us?
 - One suggestion: Holt faculty rep instead of Holt staff. Also could be either/or.
 - Requirement could be that faculty must be actively teaching in Holt.
 - Possible requirement: being a Holt program director. Concern about how busy they are.
 - Another proposal: Let Dean of Holt select/appoint (individually or collectively) who the Holt rep is. However, highly likely he will defer to Doragnes.
 - Staff have a different perspective than faculty.
 - Could alternate back and forth every other year between faculty and staff.
 - Consensus that some kind of Holt representation is valuable. Doragnes will bring proposal back next month.
- Discussion and decision about future meeting format: shift to hybrid meetings or alternate in-person and virtual meetings
 - Proposal: Hybrid is effective and appropriate for a committee with members who travel extensively
 - Discussion of advantages of hybrid vs fully online
 - Consensus toward hybrid
 - New regime will start with April 2022 meeting

- Proposed: Yudit
 - Seconded: Marc
 - Motion passed unanimously
- RIG application review and decision – see attached applications.
 - Motion to approve both applications
 - Proposed: Yudit
 - Seconded: Doragnes
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Brief report/debrief on RIG workshop
 - Discussion of various people’s presentations
 - 8-10 people came just to listen and ask questions; Giselda has attendance list
 - Plan to do the same in the fall semester
 - Proposal to send out a brief survey to RIG attendees
 - Consensus that the survey should be extremely basic. Agreement that it’s worth doing to get feedback that can be used for the next RIG workshop
- Engaging the global-local
 - How could this committee promote and/or provide global-local opportunities for students?
 - Doing something for Ukraine
 - Community service
 - Orgs that work with refugees
 - We already have a strong relationship with Hope Community Center (works with migrants, etc.)
 - Not a lot of guided service opportunities
 - Can Skillman Dining Hall offer Ukrainian food?
 - Discussion of various Ukrainian contacts/students around campus
 - Foodways/Dining around the World
 - Engaging local restaurateurs/entrepreneurs global
 - Opportunity to engage with local chambers, etc.
 - Brining in food trucks
 - Scholars in foodways from Mississippi
 - Incorporate music and dance from around the world
 - Logistics: Are we doing this at the whole college level?
 - Sodexo has to approve food trucks
 - Combination of food trucks/outside food and Sodexo food
 - Discussion of best time to do something like this
 - Good idea to figure out what’s going on around campus and link in that way
 - Sodexo is willing to work with us and have been good partners
 - Jenifer will reach out to Sodexo or other appropriate contact
 - Other ideas
 - What might this look like?
 - Further discussion abled until the next meeting on April 22
- Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm