Global Council Minutes

<u>Thursday, October 29, 2015</u> <u>11:20 am to 12:40 pm</u> HSS 252

Council Members Present:

Gordon Dossett, Chair Kelly Brayton, Vice Chair Jose Cue Liz Koenig Lauren Movius Alexandra Tower Toni Trives

Council Members Excused:

Nancy Grass Hemmert Catherine Weir

Others Present:

Poliana Raymer
Gillian Grebler
Liset Llerenas
Rachel Petrocelli
Peggy Kravitz
Carol V Davis
Delphine Broccard
Ventris Woods
Jeremy Lange
Janet Wolf

I. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 am

II. Public Comments:

- a. Kelly introduced Jeremy Lange, IEC, who spoke about the upcoming International Education Week November 16-20, 2015. This event is funded by Global Citizenship. Events are for all students and will include: Global Connections Lectures Series with Zahra Ismail, Study Abroad Information Session, Fulbright Scholarship Faculty/Administrator Workshop, and a Film Screening of "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon. The big event of the week is Global Citizenship Festival Day November 20th with free food, games, and music.
- b. Gillian Grebler spoke about the upcoming Sustainability Week Festival Nov 2-5, 2015 which will include a free farmer's market day, a sustainable transportation information event, a sustainable foods debate, the screening of the movie "DIRT", and a sustainable food festival on the Quad on November 3rd.

III. Announcements/Updates

a. Teaching About Global Conflict and Peacebuilding Conference-Toni Trives

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Toni Trives attended the recent Global Conflict and Peacebuilding Conference hosted by Northern Virginia Community College from October 23-26, 2015 along with Jamar London, Zeny Baduel, and Eileen Rabach. The seminar is designed to support faculty and administrators as they strive to develop relevant and innovative approaches to teaching about global conflict and peacebuilding. She would like to further discuss what SMC might do in the future to promote this subject.

b. Study Abroad Subcommittee Report-Lauren Movius

Lauren Movius updated the Council on the Study Abroad South Africa program. We have 25 students signed up and have received their deposits for the upcoming winter semester session. The Study Abroad committee would like to get more scholarships for these programs including reaching out to Associated Students and the equity fund through the state. They would like to have more Study Abroad presentations for students and more outreach to faculty and counselors so they can promote Study Abroad programs to students in class. The Study Abroad committee would like to see a long term goal of two two trips each winter and each summer and to also have the spring session expanded. There also needs to be more outreach to find more faculty interested in leading these trips.

There is a US Department of State Critical Language scholarship deadline of November 23rd for fully paid scholarships to a variety of countries based on the language desired. The scholarships are for both advanced and introductory language skills. There will be a workshop on Tuesday November 3rd. The suggestion was made to promote this on Facebook. Toni Trives would like every effort made to make students aware of the importance of foreign language skills such as promotion of foreign language classes by counselors. Jose Cue said that in the Counseling 20 class they use a PowerPoint presentation about Global Citizenship, global issues and Study Abroad but that it needs to be updated. Jose will send it to Gordon for review.

c. Gordon spoke about the schedule of upcoming events:

- November 5th: Speaker Guillaume Roels: Opportunities and Challenges in Global Supply Chain Management- Rm. HSS 165
- November 12th: Next GC meeting Jennifer Ferro, President of KCRW is invited guest.
 Gordon has spoken to her about how KCRW can contribute to Global Citizenship and we hope to discuss this more at the meeting. To further the promotion of Global Citizenship, we are hoping to somehow take advantage of the various world bands who visit KCRW. Also, a NPR recorded project about the issues faced by 15 year olds around the world might be utilized by faculty in some manner.
- December 3rd: GC Meeting –Faculty applications for Latin American Spring trip are due
- December 10th: GC limited meeting-Latin American faculty recommendations
- December 11th: Global Grant applications due-subject to GC decision

IV. Action Items

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Global Grants, creation of a Global Fund, and allocation of remaining funds for the fiscal year

Our scheduled guest, Kiersten Elliott, Dean, Academic and Community Relations, could not be present. She was to speak about Global Grants and the timetable for the grant process.

Kelley explained that we have \$15000 in reserve that had been allocated to the National Geographic event for International Education Week. There is also \$12000 in reserve that is to be used for campus events and lectures. These funds must be used by early May 2015 and cannot be rolled over to next year. She said that mini grants come with specific criteria.

The discussion included:

- Time is short as the fall semester will be ending and with finals, grades, and the
 upcoming winter break, the faculty would be hard pressed to submit proposals on such
 short notice.
- Obtaining guest speakers can be complex due to high speaker fees, preapproval by the Board of Trustees, and the schedules of some speakers may already be engaged for the spring.
- The allocation of funds to already scheduled events on campus such as Earth Week.
- Creation of a Global Fund to allocate funds for last minute opportunities.
- An open invitation to faculty to act as lead contributors for planning events
- The allocation of funds for events for classified staff possibly to be used during spring break. Toni offered the example of providing conflict resolution training. Classified Employee Week is May 15-21, 2015 which would be too late for use of these funds.
- A call for GC mini grants for the spring due by the first week in January.
- GC could use the advice of Ms. Elliott and hopefully she can be present at the next GC meeting.

A motion was made by Jose Cue and seconded by Toni Trives that the GC Council will put out a proposal for grants in early November with a deadline of the first week in January. Motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Lauren Movius and seconded by Jose Cue for a \$5000 commitment to a Global Grant opportunity fund. The motion was unanimously approved.

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V. Meeting Adjourned

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 pm.

The next meeting will be Thursday, November 12, 2015, 11:15-12:35 in HSS 252.