International Education Committee

Meeting Minutes

3/13/15

Present: Joyce Hamasaki, Carrie Mospens, Christine Quintana, Andrey Chan, Steven Clements, Anne Chung, Deseree Salvador, Gabe James (Recorder)

Agenda Item I: Welcome to Joyce Hamasaki

Agenda Item II: Minutes from 2/20/15 meeting approved

Agenda Item III: Old Business Follow-Up

ACE Follow-Up (Carrie)

- To IEC members: please come to scheduled events if available
- Regarding ILO 3: Carrie has a meeting scheduled with Noreen and Grace Funai on 3/16/15 at 3PM to discuss/establish protocols for changing ILOs

Global Studies Certificate (Pam)

- Total number of credits for program is 16, not 15
- There are 4 credits for world language study, not 3
- Pam distributed Global Studies Academic Subject Certificate proposal
- Pam will draft a letter to HawCC faculty teaching courses identified as having international content. A question would be asked as to whether or not courses identified have at least 20% international content.
- This certificate is not eligible for student receipt of financial aid; only courses toward specific majors are eligible

Study Abroad (Carrie)

- An on-time grant writing proposal is not possible for the application cycle for this year
- Planned faculty study abroad program would take place for 4 weeks in Vietnam: group would fly into northern Vietnam, and depart from southern Vietnam
- UH System has many partnerships with Vietnam
- South East Asia Studies Program at UH Manoa will offer pre-departure orientation for faculty
- Projected launch of trip: summer 2017
**Gladys Sunamura Scholarship (Joyce Hamasaki)**

- Joyce is working with Luane Ishii to ascertain purpose of scholarship money
- Joyce met with Gladys Sunamura about her donation to the community college
- Gladys said that she would designate amount of money to go to CTE students to enable them to have international travel experience
- Gladys did not identify a specific program, but has an affinity for the carpentry program
- Scholarship money can be used for any trade students in CTE
- Gladys did not stipulate a time frame for scholarship receipt, but wants to support international learning opportunity/experience
- There is presently no application for scholarship
- There will be an amount of money designated for matching funds
- Roughly $20k of scholarship money has not been used
- There is an open question as to whether or not UH Foundation fees have been withdrawn from funds; waiting for more information from Luane about this
- An application for scholarship will be created
- A press release describes purpose of money
- Scholarship might be a good match for Ireland study abroad program

**Host a Fulbright Scholar: Update (Pam)**

- An additional institution needs to be added to Fulbright visitor’s schedule; possibly Hilo High School
- Fulbright would like broader community support of visitors
- Proposed visitor would like to come during first week of May
- Fulbright needs to process request within 30 days
- Suggestion: publicize visitor’s arrival and invite greater Hilo community to support event
- Visitor will lecture on climate change and how it affects Bulgaria
- Suggestion: advertise event as an extra credit opportunity for students
- Suggestion: offer food at event
- Possible date for event: early afternoon of 5/7; will speak with Hilo High@ hosting @ 5/6 or 5/8
- Pam will ask visitor about whether or not homestay with Carrie is OK
- Pam will ask visitor for bio and pic for publicity
- Steven will submit a Tribune Herald press release
- Suggestion: publicize in Kauhale newsletter
• UHH community will be invited

Agenda Item IV: New Business

Otafuku Student Exchange (Joyce)

• A group of visitors from Hiroshima University of Economics contacted Joyce with a plan to build a relationship with HawCC campus; particularly with culinary arts and business related programs
• Group was given a tour of campus
• Group wants to partner with students to create an exchange project around the idea of food and entrepreneurship
• Group is interested in using culinary arts program/cafeteria to do a fundraiser for preparing Hiroshima-style okonomiyaki
• Mr. Yamamoto approached a businessman about raising funds for a project to bring Japanese students to HawCC, and fund HI students to go to Hiroshima, where they can possibly be trained in preparing okonomiyaki at their school
• The object of this proposal is entrepreneurship
• A businessman would like to possibly donate an okonomiyaki grill to Hilo
• The abovementioned businessman owns a home in Captain Cook
• Objective is to train students with okonomiyaki culinary skills for entrepreneurship
• Projected time for visit would be 1 week
• There’s buy-in from culinary
• Cannot do fundraising on campus (reason: state grounds) for Otafuku Sauce Company brand
• Option of omitting labels currently being explored
• Possibility: having Hiroshima Kenjinkai offer location support
• There’s currently an open question about working on an open exchange agreement, and working out details and logistics of visits
• Open question posed by IEC: would there be academic credit available for this activity?
• HawCC might create a summer course to facilitate receipt of student credit
• Open question posed by committee: will program be run as credit or no-credit? It will be important to determine this before moving forward with plan
• Suggestion: offering program for credit
• Projected time line: not summer 2015, but would like to move forward with planning; there are many complexities
• Such a program necessitates the need for an International (Exchange) Office, as new opportunities continue to present themselves
Toward this end, Joyce recommends that IEC put together a focused proposal with a strategic plan that focuses on specific outcomes, with a projected time table to support budget needs.

Program review template can be used to justify and lend credibility to the establishment of an international office.

Timeline for possible launch: summer 2016

Framework for IEW 2015- Theme: Indigenous Cultures Around the World

- Suggested theme for IEW 2015 is indigenous world cultures
- KapCC’s international events calendar distributed as food for thought
- Suggestion: promote events that tap into HawCC faculty expertise
- Suggestion: song contest in native languages for world culture night
- **Action item**: establish dates for IEW (? – 11/16-11/20)
- **Action item**: work on funding sources early: Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Honda Scholarship, HawCC Student Life, Filipino community support
- **Suggestion**: hosting small-scale film festival
- **Caveat**: legal permission for film viewings and possible associated costs
- **Action item**: please inform committee of funding sources for IEW support

**Meeting adjourned at 11:10AM**

*Next IEC meeting: 4/17/15, 9-11AM (379A-6A)*