

University Committee on International Affairs (UCIA)
Minutes
September 25, 2017
526 Prices Fork Road Blacksburg, Room 121 A

Attendance:

Amr Hilal, Theresa Johansson, Ian Leuschner, Nicole Sanderling, Debra Stoudt, , Ben Grove, Sudipte Mukhejee, Don Back, David Brady, Svetlana Filiatreau, David Clubb, Tom Thompson

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Ian Leuschner, chair welcomed everyone. Introductions were made.

2. Constituent Reports:

OIRED-Larry Vaughan

- The Youth in Agriculture, a follow-on to the Senegal project (\$4 million), has been submitted. We expect to hear something soon
- There is a non- compete opportunity in Tanzania that is \$12 million over a 4 year period. It submitted on September 15

LCI- Don Back

- **Proposals**
 1. Shandong University Faculty Development Program –will begin in October
 2. Pakistan Teacher Training program –beginning next summer
- **VIP Visits** - LCI will be hosting a number of high level delegations including a:
 1. Vietnam Peoples' Security Academy- October 18

Global Education-Theresa Johansson

- Geo is planning and implementing 9 events to involve visiting exchange students with a goal of integrating students
- One Peer advising position has been designated for an international exchange student

International Support Services-Ian Leuschner

Nothing new to report

Cranwell International Center-David Clubb

- Working on recertification with Homeland Security
- There will be changes in the upcoming International Street Fair-especially in the foods
- Undergraduate international enrollment is up 17% this year

OESRC-David

- Referenced the press release on visa restrictions by country, wavers are possible but the process is complicated
- Mentioned the arrest of Professor Zhang-accused of defrauding the university and the National Science Foundation

Corp of Cadets-No representative

3. **CIP Code Updates-Ian Leuschner**

- CIP codes have been distributed to. Colleges must vet their own codes
- David to get data on CIP codes that effect our students. He will report findings at the next meeting

4. Frequency of UCIA Meetings-Ian Leuschner

Discussion about the frequency of the meetings was opened to the floor. Ben suggested adding an educational item/program to each meeting. It was finally decided to leave the meetings on a monthly schedule.

5. Other items-UCIA Members

- Debbie circulated a flyer advertising the Study Abroad Expo. She will send Patricia the link to distribute to all UCIA members.
- Ian mentioned the proposed revisions to the Alumni awards as proposed by Brett Shadle
- There was discussion about how to identify and connect with international alumni
- Ian requested that members send him agenda items for the October meeting
- Svetlana announced the creation of a Global Alumni working group formed under COIA.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Patricia S. Hughes
Recording Secretary