Minutes for Committee on Internationalization

Friday, April 2, 2010, 11:00

Present: Orf (Chair), Peters, Mowafy, Schmidt, Li, Oates

Absent/excused: Ball, Shevy, Stunkard, Mihalopoulos, Siles

Agenda approved as amended.

Minutes of March 26, 2010 approved as amended.

Reports:

Chair Report:

1. Amy sent the COI year-end report to Senate Chair Andy Poe. Also, just a reminder that the Honors Board proposal will have a second reading at the Senate on Tuesday.
2. The Global Recognition subcommittee met on Wednesday, and there are new drafts of the proposals for faculty and student recognition.
3. Amy brought up the issue of oversight of the International Studies major/minor at a recent Department meeting. Department members were not interested in looking at student course evaluations for courses taught outside MLL.
4. MLL will be having a Regions of France Showcase on Monday, April 12, 12:00-1:30 in Whitman Commons. COI members are welcome to attend.
5. Amy also announced that Summer 2010 language classes have lots of openings.

Secretary Report:

No report.

Executive Director Report:

No report.

New Business:

1. Follow up from Rehema Clarken’s visit.
   * Mowafy raised the issue of whether the international students might be sensitive to the concealed weapons on campus protest. Might international parents be concerned about their students’ safety?
   * Schmidt raised the issue of whether International students in the Buddy program might not want to be required to attend all of the events because of the time commitment.
   * Is “Buddy” a good name for the program?
2. Global Faculty Recognition program: copies of the drafts were distributed to the committee.
3. Strategic consulting report. The committee discussed some of the consultants’ recommendations. The report has been met with mixed reactions. It will be food for thought as Internationalization evolves on campus.
4. Meetings for 2010-11. For now, the meeting day and time (Friday 11:00-12:30 every two weeks) will remain the same.
5. Mowafy moved and Li seconded to have officers remain the same for next year. Motion passed. (provided Mark accepts the secretarial position again)

Good of the order.

None