**Minutes: Academic Senate Standing Committee on Internationalization**

Date: April 11, 2011

Present: Stunkard, Orf, Mowafy, Burgmeier, Mills, Wellman, Siles

Excused: Ball, Oates, Shevy, Li

Meeting was called to order at 11:05

Agenda was approved.

Last meeting minutes were approved with minor revisions.

**Reports:**

**Chair Report**

With the recent announcement of Provost Koch’s resignation, it is unknown whether COI will receive feedback from her on COI’s Global Recognition Award draft and the committee’s recommendations on the International Program consultant report which were sent.

There have been no decisions yet from CEC regarding Academic Senate membership issues.

Orf wrote to Lesley Putman, Chair of EPC, to thank her for meeting with COI at our last meeting to discuss EN109 and the needs of international students. Lesley did respond with an update on EN109, stating that the proposal will be going back to EPC as EN109, and not as EN109i as suggested by COI at our last meeting. Dean Broadway and Provost Koch have expressed support for the class and Lesley will keep the committee posted.

Orf received a reply from Russ Magnaghi regarding staffing for Approaching China and Approaching Japan courses. He confirmed that the History Department did request a replacement for Bill Mihalopoulos and that they have not heard further updates on the position. Russ did not feel that COI could be of assistance at this point.

**Secretary Report:** None

**Executive Director of International Programs Report**:

Siles confirmed the Provost’s support of resubmitting EN109 back to EPC for consideration.

Susan Morgan of the International Programming Office recently organized and presented workshops for faculty interested in developing new FLSA courses. Fifteen faculty attended which is encouraging and likely to increase the number of students participating in study abroad.

Siles was recently informed that NMU will need to receive additional authorization by Cuban administration regarding the upcoming NMU USOEC wrestler and weight lifter trip to Cuba. A final decision on the trip will be forthcoming soon.

NMU will increase its exposure to students interested in study abroad with the services of HotCourses, a website that seeks to recruit students from around the world, such as in China, India, Korea, and Latin America. Siles Is reviewing design of the website, including interviews with students.

Discussion of 2+2 programs with Capital University in China continue. Several other universities have expressed interested in such programs with NMU which could lead to increased # of students.

**New Business**

Year End Report was approved with a few minor edits. Orf will send it on to the Academic Senate.

Mills announced that English Department faculty Peter Goodrich, gespah sing, and she will participate in a direct student exchange teaching program with xxx University in Turkey. Faculty would teach Turkish language, literature and theoretical classes.

The final Meeting on April 22 was cancelled due to lack of an agenda. Election of officers will be delayed until Fall 2011 when COI committee membership is determined.

**Old Business**

Global Recognition Criteria

Discussion of Needs of International Students on Campus

Discussion of Best Practices in Internationalizing the Campus

The meeting adjourned at 12:15.