

Meeting Minutes
Ferris State University Academic Senate
International Education Committee (IEC)

Tuesday, February 14, 2017
11:00 a.m., IRC 134

Attendees:

Scott Cohen, Chair
Antionette Smith Epps
Cami Sanderson
Jerry Emerick
Marty Lier
Piram Prakasam, Ex-officio

Members not in attendance:

Jim Rumpf
Roberta Teahen, Ex-officio

The meeting was called to order at 11:08am.

Minutes of the December 8, 2016 and January 19, 2017 meetings were approved as corrected.

Old Business

- I. International Educator of the Year Award
 - a. Four Nominees
 - i. Patrick Bishop
 - ii. John Caserta (previously won the award)
 - iii. Ana Davila-Howard
 - iv. Susan Jones
 - b. Nominees will be asked to compete the IEC nomination packet. Once the packets are ready for all candidates, they will be forwarded by Dr. Cohen to all committee members.
 - c. Each committee member will also receive the evaluation rubric and scoring sheet.
 - d. Completed packets are due February 27, 2017.
 - e. Committee will meet to rank candidates and vote on March 13, 2017. Committee members are asked to come to the meeting with their individual rankings completed and prepared for discussion.
 - f. Remaining timeline:
 - i. February 27 Supporting documents packet due
 - ii. March 13 IEC monthly meeting and vote
 - iii. March 17 IEC selection for IEY award due to VPAA
 - iv. April 11 Dinner for Provost, Senate President, Faculty Awardees and guests.
 - g. Provost's office will not hold/fund a reception this year for IEY award recipient.
 - h. The committee agreed to accept Dr. Prakasam's offer to attend the end of year Pot Luck Luncheon that will health by the Office of International Education on April 21 in IRC 104 from Noon – 1:30pm.
 - i. International Educator of the Year awardee and all nominees will be invited
 - ii. Certificates will be prepared by Ms. Hadley-Kennedy for presentation at the Luncheon.

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- i. It was brought to everyone's attention that there does not appear to be language in the award criteria regarding repeat award winners. In order to deal with that question, a bit of research is required. It would be helpful to know what the Faculty Awards website says about this topic. It may be necessary to have a discussion with Academic Affairs.
- j. The committee will research these issues and deal with them in preparation for the 2018 IE of year award.

New Business:

Support for International Education:

The committee discussed a proposal from Dr. Prakasam to consider taking a position in regards to support of the ideals of international education as well as the value added benefits of encouraging and celebrating an inclusive campus atmosphere. This is of particular concern due to recent moves to restrict travel from certain countries to the United States and potential for increased scrutiny for individuals traveling to the United States from around the world. The difficulties these restrictions and changes may pose for many FSU students, faculty and staff is of great concern.

It was agreed that a document supporting international education be drafted for consideration by the Faculty Senate.

Next Meeting Date for IEC:

Since the March 14 regular meeting date for the IEC conflicts with the rescheduled Faculty Senate meeting (moved from March 7 due to Spring Break), it was agreed that the IEC would meet on March 13, 2017 at 1pm in IRC 134.

Announcements:

IEC meeting calendar posting/announcement should be updated to reflect meeting location as IRC 134.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12:05pm

Submitted by:

Antionette Smith Epps; April 7, 2017