



International Education Program

College of San Mateo

Meeting Minutes

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International Education Committee (IEC)

December 1st, 2020

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In Attendance: Chair Aubrey Kuan Roderick, Mondana Bathai (Note Taker), Lizette Bricker, Lena Feinman, Silvana Grima, Remi Harada, LaShonda Kennedy, Amy Sobel.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM PST.

Updates:

- Silvana provided an update on the current number of applicants and is hopeful for fall 2021. While numbers are low, according to a presentation given earlier, students from overseas are still interested in studying abroad. Generally, spring enrollment is lower than the fall. Our GOL program enrollment is going up because F-1 students who are falling out of status are switching to GOL.
- Aubrey informed the committee of the new cohort learning that has been developed for international high school students. Twenty students are currently signed up to participate. Concern was expressed by the committee over a possible lack of faculty input in the program and a need for feedback on the GOL program was strongly desired.

Work Group Project Updates & Discussion:

- Aubrey presented feedback and an overview of the data collected from promotion and participation in International Education Week events. One popular piece of feedback was the wish for more recent alumni to be included in the panel. Student Ambassador lead events were successful and fun. Members of the committee and CSM staff were in attendance during the events.
- LaShonda Kennedy briefed the committee on the speakers for International Education Week and read feedback from a student on Stephanie Cheung's presentation.
- Lena Feinman provided feedback from Chandrakant D. Patel's presentation and concluded his event was very successful.

SMART Goals for Spring 2021

- Aubrey gave an overview of the three work groups for spring 2021, which include Model Curriculum and Guided Pathways, Frist Semester Student Success, and CSM International Alumni Speaker Series.

- Model Curriculum and Guided Pathways will be a collaboration between the two groups.
- The First Semester Student Success work group is the first effort to encourage online students to continue online orientation activities into the semester.
- CSM International Alumni Speaker Series work group is inspired by the success of International Education Week. This could be an avenue for any alumni interested in continuing conversation with current students to participate. LaShonda Kennedy suggested collaborating with Career Services for these events, as this series could center around skill building (such as networking and interviewing) for students. The committee agreed that from a career perspective it would be helpful to have alumni who have graduated anywhere from five to ten years ago participate. Silvana Grima pointed out the value of having a panel of current students and alumni for outreach.

Spring 2021 Meeting Dates

International Education Committee will be meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month in the spring. Aubrey has asked the committee members to save the following dates:

- January 26th, 2021
- February 23rd, 2021
- March 23rd, 2021
- April 27th, 2021

A survey will be sent out to determine the best time for the committee to meet on those dates.