International Affairs Committee September 20, 2023

Members Present

Aaron Anderson

Steven Anton

Pedro Arce

Becky Asher

Heather Cathey

Dennis Duncan

David Gallop

Tina Girdley

Amy Miller

Matthew Nisbet

Queen Ogbomo

Souma Uno

Padmini Veerapen

Members Absent

Harry Ingle Bobbie Maynard Mary Pashley Anastasiia Ponomarenko Daniel Tran

Guests

Charles Wilkerson Jerri Winningham

Dr. Duncan called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda had been provided to the committee members earlier via Teams committee folder and by email. Dr. Arce made the motion to approve and Mr. Nisbet second the motion. Motion passed.

Approval of February 17 Minutes

The February 17 minutes had been provided to the committee members earlier via Teams committee folder and by e-mail. Dr. Arce made the motion to approve and Mr. Nisbet second the motion. Motion passed.

Updates from International Education Office

Dr. Duncan recognized Mr. Wilkerson to share information from the International Education Office. Mr. Wilkerson shared with the committee members that he and Mr. Bleignier had reviewed Policy 240 Full Course of Study Requirements for International Students and Policy No. 246 International Student Recruitment for any changes that they perceived may be needed. Upon review, they did not consider any changes needed to be submitted at this time.

Mr. Wilkerson shared with the members the current enrollment for the CESL program and the projection for the October start date.

He informed the group that Mr. Sayota Knight was hired as a coordinator to assist Mr. Bleignier with immigration processing.

The International Education's outer office was remodeled over the summer and new furniture was received last week.

Policy Subcommittees

Since Mr. Wilkerson had covered policy changes with his updates, Dr. Duncan questioned the members whether there was a need to create subcommittees to review the two policies. No one considered a need for additional review to take place by the members. Ms. Winningham will revise the review dates in PolicyTech.

Such Other Matters

Dr. Duncan questioned Dr. Miller about the status of the study abroad program. She informed the group that Dr. Stephens had recently retired, and Dr. Julie Baker had been named as interim. Dr. Baker is familiarizing herself with how the program operates. Dr. Miller also shared with the members that she will be traveling later this semester to attend a meeting.