

Minutes: IESC  
Room HSS 230

Date: Dec 8, 2015

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Time	Agenda Item	Who	Outcome/Followup
3:50PM	Begin Meeting Review Previous Minutes	Rob Troyer and all members	Minutes approved
	IESC Webstie has been updated		Laurie Burton, from the Executive Committee and Rob Troyer have updated the IESC information, members, defining the Role of this Committee, etc. Next will be to invite Business, Economics, Teacher Ed and Creative Arts to have members on this committee. These departments have many international students and would have valuable input.
	Report from OIED  SACM  3x1 and 2x2 Programs	Neng Yang was unable to meet today. Sarah Nagel and Anne Rohlfer reported	SACM, Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission, is the sponsor for most the Saudi Arabian students at WOU. Last Spring, 2015, SACM closed WOU to any more Saudi students. Neng Yang and the Provost went to Washington DC to negotiate and keep our current students. OIED printed a flyer explaining the current rules and regulations specific to Saudi students at WOU. Examples include a restriction on online course hours, no dance or music classes, minimum credit hours, certain majors are approved by SACM. This flyer was supposed to be distributed to all faculty and divisions at WOU, but no one at this meeting has seen it. This points out some communication breakdown between OIED and WOU faculty. Discussion began regarding needing more collaboration and communication from the OIED office. Some divisions at WOU do not have 3x1 or 2x2

	OIED information on the website		<p>programs, some do, and this creates some confusion. The OIED office has posted the information about any contracts with each division on their website for any one interested. Business has a successful 3x1 and 2x2 program. English/Linguistics has had trouble getting 3x1 students through their curriculum in the one year time limit. Also, Eng/Ling has made a request that the OIED office communicate how many International students are expected each year so they can hire and prepare enough classes. Robin Smith reported she could always get any information from OIED whenever she called. Sarah Nagel and Anne Rohlfer recommended calling Ambre Plahn with any questions. More discussion ensued requesting OIED to report how many international students they expect, even if that number does not show. An informal estimate is necessary for each division to prepare. Now it is suggested that anyone needing information just call the OIED office, and not wait for a report from them.</p>
	OIED change in staffing		<p>Sarah Nagel is leaving at the end of December 2015. ☹. Ambre Plahn will be on maternity leave in January. Anne Rohlfer will be the one to contact now at OIED.</p>
	Online classes for out of country international students are a new possibility	Ann Bliss Brent King	<p>President Fuller has suggested that faculty have online classes to students living abroad, for example in China. This would mean WOU would be open 24/7, and more international students could access classes and get their degree here. Brent said he has experience doing this at his previous university. The international students join in when they can, since there is a time zone difference. Anne Rohlfer informed us that WOU's online platform, Google,</p>

			cannot be accessed currently in China.
	Scholarship Fund for international Study Abroad	Ann Bliss	The WOU Foundation is getting more active and Ann recommended IESC arrange to set up a scholarship fund for Study Abroad. It would take about \$25,000 to start. This would allow for \$1000 for a semester, and \$4000 for a year, of Study Abroad. This would be very helpful to our students. IESC will look in to this more.