Standing Committee on International Programs Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2018

I. Call to order:

Michael Garval called to order the regular meeting of the Standing Committee on International Programs at 2:05pm on January 25, 2018 at Talley rm. 3222.

II. Roll call (✓ indicates present)

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| 1. Garval, Michael | X | 2. Rodriguez, Claudia | Х |
| 3. Evans, Michael | | 4. Kaiprath Veettil, Sujith | |
| 5. Nealon, Patrice | | 6. Litvinova, Valeriia | X |
| 7. Thakur, Siddhartha | X | 8. Bustle, Michael (XO) | X |
| 9. Dunning, Rebecca | | 10. James, Elizabeth (XO) | X |
| 11. Armstrong, Helen | | 12. Schmidt, Ingrid (XO) | |
| 13. King, Martin W. | X | | |
| 14. Aspnes, David | X | 15. Li, Bailian (XONV) | X |
| 16. Isik, Fikret | | 17. Lynch, Lian (XONV) | |
| 18. Cao, Linyou | | 19. Li, Lingjuan | |
| 20. Bykova, Marina | x | 21. Istook, Cynthia | |
| 22. Chatterjee, Kony | | 23. Markus Wust | |
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Also present: Chantell LaPan, Sarah Knapp, Kamon Hester (for Lian Lynch), Heide Tebbe (for Markus West)

A quorum being present, the meeting could conduct business.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the last meeting, held 30 Nov 2017. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Discussion Items

1) **Position of Secretary:** The Committee needs to appoint a Secretary. Aspnes agreed to do it for the present meeting, but not as a permanent assignment. This remains an action item.

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- 2) Seed Grants: Chantell LaPan provided an update on requests for seed grants. Response is good. 25 have been received. Assessments assigned to committee members are now due 09 Feb. Awardees will be determined at the 25 Feb meeting.
- **3) Community of Globally Engaged Scholars project:** Chantell LaPan reported on the Community of Globally Engaged Scholars project. One objective is to determine how to receive recognition for global activities. It is recommended that we set up a small organization to establish details, such as names of possible members, criteria, processes, and obligations, which may include mentoring. More specifics will be provided at the next meeting.
- 4) Sabbatical Leave: The proposal drafted by Marina Bykova was discussed at length. At present foreign visits come under the category of scholarly leave, which is much more cumbersome than sabbatical leave. Marina noted that this is a benefit, and faculty should not feel uneasy about arranging such leaves. She described various options, noting that department heads are unlikely to support this, since it means in principle that 1/7 of their faculty are gone at any one time.

A general discussion followed. The consensus is that the proposed program is a good idea, that we should follow up on it, and that we should be one of the supporting organizations. It is expected to be good for faculty retention, which will resonate with present concerns of upper management as discussed with the Faculty Senate. Remarks included what we might recommend, comparisons with policies of peer institutions, and how best to proceed. Marina will get the opinion of her Chair once the Committee gives a proposal its support. Current plans are to send the recommendations to the Faculty Senate when we send it to the Provost.

- 5) Jackson Rigney Award: This was discussed by Chantell. We are expecting about 10 nominations. We have from 22 Feb to 16 Mar to review them. Rankings will be compiled and discussed at the 22 Mar meeting. Discussion included the need to ensure that faculty who have had long periods of international activity can be competitive against those who may have extensive present research collaborations overseas.
- 6) **Open House:** Attendees were reminded of the Open House of the Office of Global Engagement, which will be held at the International Office at Primrose Hall 30 Jan starting at 3:00 pm.

V. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Minutes submitted by: D. E. Aspnes

| CHAIR SIGNATURE | | | | | |
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| Chair | Chair Signature: | Date: 19 February 2018 | | | |
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