

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL  
Minutes of Thursday, 19 October 2017, 3 p.m.  
Room 4550 Sangren Hall

**Members present:** Eric Archer, James Butterfield, Robert Dlouhy, Michelle Metro-Roland, Ann Miles, Maria Perez-Stable, Zahir Quraeshi, William Rantz, Ayumi Shinoda, Paulo Zagalo-Melo, Germán Zarate-Sandez (for Stephen Covell), Jun-Seok Oh, Mary Lagerwey (for Shannon McMorro)

**Member absent:** Willem Homan

**Guests:** Edward Montgomery, Western Michigan University President; Suzan Ayers, Faculty Senate President

**Procedural Items**

*Acceptance of the Agenda*

Butterfield moved to accept the October agenda; seconded by Dlouhy. Motion carried.

*Approval of the Minutes*

Corrections to 21 September 2017 meeting minutes were submitted by Quraeshi and Rantz. Quraeshi submitted the following corrections:

1. Under section *Guests to IEC* – replace the following sentence, “Quraeshi suggested that perhaps President Emeritus John Dunn be extended an invitation to discuss any role he has with international student recruitment” with “Quraeshi suggested that perhaps President Emeritus John Dunn should be extended an invitation to discuss ways of strengthening our internationalization activities.”
2. Under section *Haenicke Institute for Global Education Report* – replace the following sentence, “Quraeshi stated that although the data expressed may be accurate, he still sees the limitations of not having adequate funding for broad study abroad opportunities” with “Quraeshi stated that reducing scholarships will impede participation in study abroad programs by those students who cannot financially afford it.”

Rantz submitted the following corrections:

1. Move section *2017-18 Council Charges* from its current location in the 21 September 2017 minutes and place it as the second topic addressed during the meeting.
2. Under section *Interim Provost Susan Stapleton*, third paragraph, sixth sentence – replace the following sentence, “Miles clarified with Stapleton that what was needed was for IEC to discuss ideas and present a proposal to the Provost’s Office” with “Miles clarified with Stapleton that what was needed was for IEC to put together top two initiatives the

council would want to see happen and provide a proposal and budget to her.”

Perez-Stable moved to approve minutes from the 21 September 2017 meeting with corrections; seconded by Rantz. Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action Items**

*Introduction of Dr. Montgomery/Status of Comprehensive Internationalization Initiative – Miles, Butterfield, and Archer*

Miles welcomed President Montgomery and asked IEC members and guests to introduce themselves. Butterfield discussed the history of internationalization at WMU. Archer presented on previous, ongoing and future initiatives regarding internationalization at WMU. Miles presented information on how the President’s Office might help to support a culture of global engagement at WMU.

Metro-Roland and Zagalo-Melo also discussed ways in which the Haenicke Institute for Global Education has contributed to internationalization efforts discussed in the presentation (efforts to provide international activities for faculty, global leadership efforts, etc.).

President Montgomery asked multiple questions regarding the role of IEC in internationalization initiatives, suggestions for his role in supporting such efforts, and impressions on what level such initiatives should lie (university-wide, colleges, departments/units). Rantz asked how the IEC has approached development of international initiatives beyond academic affairs.

President Montgomery and members of the council also discussed potential challenges and benefits in collaborating with WMU’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion to include inclusion of international populations in addition to underrepresented domestic populations.

Ayers discussed with the council how to move forward on the approved Memorandum of Action on internationalization with the Faculty Senate Executive Board in order to open opportunities to the larger university community to participate. President Montgomery charged the council with proposing actionable items to move forward on internationalization at the institution.

President Montgomery departed the meeting and Miles asked if Ayers could remain and clarify her announcement of the formation of an ad hoc committee through the Faculty Senate to move implementation of internationalization efforts. Ayers stated that councils of the Faculty Senate make recommendations to the Executive Board, which would then create committee(s) to implement recommendations that could include IEC council members.

Miles suggested that additional discussion of IEC charges and purpose of the council may be needed in light of Ayers’ announcement of the creation of an ad hoc logistics committee to implement comprehensive internationalization.

Lagerwey announced that the joint Research Policies Council / International Education Council faculty survey on international research has been delayed.

Due to time constraints, Miles asked council members to forward questions about National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) to her and to look at the Signature web pages before the next meeting.

#### **Haenicke Institute Report**

Zagalo-Melo discussed, for informational purposes only, a proposal the Haenicke Institute is working on called Global Leadership Program (GLP). This would be a four-year undergraduate program promoting global learning and leadership. The proposal is to be submitted by HIGE to the Presidential Transformative Initiative, but will include long-range funding goals.

#### **Other**

No other business was presented.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. Eric Archer  
IEC Secretary