



UNIVERSITY FACULTY COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT (UFCGE)

MINUTES 10/23/15

Attendees: Douglas Moodie, Nina Morgan, Joseph Dirnberger, David Schmidt, Christie Emerson, Binbin Jiang, Lance Askildson, Iyonka Strawn-Valcy, Daniel Paracka, Tom Pusateri and Pamila Dembla

Meeting Opened 09:00

1. Brief Updates from DGA
 - a. Lance Askildson provided a number of brief updates on several DGA related initiatives: Askildson announced that the DGA Faculty Fellows program is currently being revised and updated in order to be announced this Spring with fellows beginning their terms in Summer 2016. Askildson also shared that the Director of U.S. Peace Corps will be the keynote speaker at this year's International Achievement Awards Banquet. Askildson noted that the call for nominations for the 2016 International Achievement Awards is also forthcoming and will be discussed at the next UFCGE meeting; the Education. Iyonka Strawn-Valcy announced that the Education Abroad Office is planning a recognition event for faculty who lead education abroad programs. The event was previously scheduled for October but was rescheduled in response to faculty availability.
2. Reallocation of \$20k in Returned SIG Funding
 - a. The committee discussed the most effective manner in which to reallocate the \$20k in returned SIG funds from the Emert et al. project. A number of potential approaches were discussed and debated at length. After extensive deliberation, the committee unanimously agreed that \$15k of the total should be allocated to support faculty site visits for programs that had already been approved for 2016 and for which site visit funding is otherwise unavailable. The remaining \$5k in funding was unanimously approved to fund a campus internationalization project that could take the form of an adapted version of previously unfunded SIG proposal or a novel proposal that supports the advancement of the KSU Strategic Plan for Internationalization in a meaningful way. All funding must be expended by June 1, 2016 in order to meet fiscal year end deadlines for state dollar spending. The committee asked Lance Askildson to issue a Request for Proposals and associated application as soon as possible so that the UFCGE can review and select proposals for funding during its last meeting of the Fall semester on Dec. 4.
3. Revisions to the 2016 SIG Request for Proposals
 - a. The committee discussed a number of potential revisions to both the RfP and proposal form for 2016 SIG funding. The range and size of individual grant awards was discussed at length alongside a need to clarify several grant program criteria such as Intellectual

Property clauses and coordination with KSU institutional offices in proposed projects. The committee also suggested that each award category description be accompanied by several optional yet recommended project themes -- as well as several project themes that would not be appropriate -- in order to better illustrate the intended character of each grant. Finally, the committee recommended that the proposal form for SIG funding itself be simplified and clarified in a number of ways. The committee tasked Lance Askildson with developing some draft changes to the RfP and proposal process for further discussion and feedback from the committee.

4. Emerson Scholarship for International Education
 - a. The committee reviewed the draft prompt prepared by Nina Morgan for the Emerson Scholarship and unanimously supported its adoption. Iyonka Strawn-Valcy was tasked with sending out an announcement of the scholarship opportunity to all faculty program directors to share with their students, but indicating that the scholarship was limited to programs traveling outside of Western Europe.

5. Update from the Faculty Advisory Board for the Annual Country Study Program
 - a. Binbin Jiang, chair of the Faculty Advisory Board for the ACSP, provided a brief update to the UFCGE on her committees work to begin developing recommendations for structural and governance changes to the "Year of" program in order to improve transparency, participation and impact. The Advisory Board plans to begin drafting preliminary recommendations later this semester and will bring these to the UFCGE for further review and feedback.

Meeting Adjourned 11:00