EDUCATION ABROAD FACULTY STANDING COMMITTEE –  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 14, 2019  
9:00-11:00AM  
TP 2220

Meeting called by: Iyonka Strawn-Valcy  
Type of meeting: 3rd Quarterly Meeting of the EA Faculty Standing Committee for AY 18-19

Facilitator: Iyonka Strawn-Valcy, Committee Chair  
Transcriber: Cynthia Tatis

Attendees: Glen Meades, Jonathan Steppe, Patrick Bobbie, Edward Eanes, Marietta Monaghan, Ernest Silva (via phone), Amanda George (for Honors), Iyonka Strawn-Valcy, Tara McDuffie, Nadine Jones, Rai Sookram, Michael Sanseviro

Absentees: Nyasha GurumtunhuCooper, Keith Tudor, Wenhua Jin, Paul Parker, Nuru Akinyemi, Belinda Edwards

Meeting called to order by Iyonka Strawn-Valcy at 9:00 AM

I. Welcome

II. Global Learning Fee Updates: DGA Leadership – Lance Askildson (guest speaker)  
a. Topic: Mandatory International Student Fee/GLS funding moving forward  
   i. On 11/28, mandatory fee committee voted to reallocate the Global Learning Fee to support the Sports and Recreation Park. By FY 2021 the GLF will be completely phased out. Difficult decision made in an effort to not increase fees at KSU.
   ii. A proposal was immediately made to help with the impact this would make on the Global Learning Scholarship. The GLS is managed through student affairs. The GLS committee approved plan to subsidize program costs to offset the loss of the GLS/GLF.
   iii. Mitigation of subsidized funds will work in this manner:
      1. Initial program fees will be reduced paying for instructional expenses with specially allocated funds from the president’s office and DGA.
      2. Students will also receive a Global Learning Scholarship if program fee reduction does not amount to $1000. In summary: all students will still receive $1000 in financial support toward their faculty-led program, but the $1000 will come from multiple funding sources (for Summer 2019).
      3. The goal is to slowly draw from the scholarship fund instead of using it all at once to have for future years. Fundraising will be a priority in the meantime in order to replenish the scholarship fund.
      4. The application process for students to receive the GLS will remain the same.
   iv. Questions/Comments  
      1. Will the discount come out of the second payment like it has in the past?  
         a. We are still determining what this will look like. Will probably be from the initial program cost advertised. Students will receive letter when approved for GLS to explain funding breakdown.
      2. Will the requirements be the same?  
         a. Yes, that will not change.
      3. Will there be a different budgeting process?  
         a. No.
      4. Concern of how these changes will be communicated to students.
a. We need to be clear with students that the money is going to pay for a
debt that has been made for the Sports and Rec Park, not football.
b. Student concerns about allocation of their fees should go to student
government who represent them in committees like Mandatory Fee
Committee.
c. The verbiage used when communicating to students should be clear
and honest and from official sources.

III. Review and Approval of 12/06/18 Meeting Minutes
   i. Motion to approve with amendment – GLS changed to GLF
   ii. Marietta Monaghan 1st
   iii. Patrick Bobbie 2nd
   iv. All in favor – None opposed: APPROVED

IV. Overview of April Meeting
   a. Program Proposal Survey shows intention to propose a study abroad program and helps EAO see
      possible outreach projections. 22 survey submissions, 8 new programs.
   b. Proposal timeline
      i. Proposal deadline is April 10th
      ii. Review meeting April 25th
   c. Proposal Criteria Overview – available online
      https://dga.kennesaw.edu/educationabroad/faculty/propose.php
   d. We expect around 60 proposals. Proposals will be delegated to committee members for review.

V. Updates/Upcoming Events
   a. EAO will be presenting at National Conference of Undergraduate Research in April.
   b. Reminder that we are open to presenting for student organizations or classrooms.
      i. Classroom presentation form is online
   c. Will be partnering with the Parent and Family Association to reach parents of EA students.
      Campus ESP is a new portal for parent engagement. Parents are always welcome to reach out to
      EA office, attend Pre-Departure meetings at the discretion of the faculty (EA recommends
      allowing), or to connect with faculty director.

Meeting adjourned at 10:06am.