

**International Education Council
April 20, 2015**

Minutes

IEC Representatives present: John Binkley (Chair), Geraldine E Sare (CSUN's Advisory Community), Daniel Degraevl (COBAE), Marta Lopez (Student Affairs), Carol Shubin (COSM), Justine Su (China Institute), Melissa Wall (AMC), Andrew Weiss (Oviatt Library), Lih Wu (Tseng), Stephan Chung (HHD), Scott Trevino (Admissions and Records),

IEC Representatives absent (excused): Keiko Hirata (CSBS), Maria de Jesus Cartaya (Int'l Student Representative), Vibhav Durgesh (COECS), Shartriya Collier (MDECOE), Weimin Sun (COH)

Department Liaisons present: Anwar Alroomi (COECS), Sanchayeeta Adhikari (CSBS), Mechelle Best (HHD), Behzad Bavarian (COECS), Ellie Kazemi (CSBS)

Call to Order

John Binkley, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:37 pm. The meeting was held in the Executive Conference Room in the Bookstore Complex.

Attendance for the meetings is required for the IEC Representatives and optional for Department International Liaisons.

New Business

Overview of International Partnerships and Programs

Committee Chair and Lih Wu gave a brief overview of the Tseng College International Programs. Lih Wu gave a summary of the Programs for International Students and the Programs for Professionals, Universities and Institutions. Lih Wu referred all members to the website. The webpage is titled International Programs and Partnerships.

<http://tsengcollege.csun.edu/programs/IPP>

International Students and Faculty Support

Chair discussed current practices of Faculty Support pertaining to International Students and ways to improve Faculty Support. Chair explained that Patricia Miller is a good resource pertaining to Faculty Support and International Students. Chair referenced University of Dayton Ohio and Carnegie Mellon University as examples of Universities that have implemented programs to assist Faculty with International Students.

Committee members discussed current programs at CSUN that assist Faculty with International Students and ways to improve Faculty Support.

International Student Enrollment

Chair requested that Dr. Marta Lopez discuss International Student Enrollment. Dr. Marta Lopez, the Director of International Programs, discussed International Student enrollment. Dr. Marta Lopez explained that the landscape has not changed, in regards to International Students. Chair mentioned that Dr. Marta Lopez would send a report of International Student Enrollment and the report would be forwarded to all Committee members. Scott Trevino, Assistant Director of Admissions and Records gave an update on Admissions of International Students. It was explained that the top five countries of applicants are China, India, Kuwait, Saudia Arabia and South Korea. The most popular undergraduate majors for International Students are Mechanical Engineering, and Business Management. Scott Trevino explained that his office is now fully staffed.

Open Discussion

Committee members discussed ways to handle International Student Residents. Scott Trevino discussed the difference between F-1 and J-1 Students. Geraldine Sare, International Academic Advisor for New Undergraduate F-1 Students discussed how the Office of Undergraduate Studies is working to centralize advising of F-1 Students.

Adjournment

Having no further business to discuss, John Binkley adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Prepared by Nicole Wilson