

CJC International Committee
09/29/2023
Minutes of Meeting

1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting started at 9:00.

Committee members present:

- Faculty representatives: Pat Ford, Michael Leslie, Norm Lewis, Kasey Windels
- Admin representatives: Roxane Coche, James Babanikos
- Staff Representative: Max Williams
- Student representatives : Noura Ibrahim, Ernest Makata, Cecilia Edelberg, Luis Lageyre

Also present: Lecturer Lissy Calienes, Staff member Jessica Abbate

Babanikos made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 9 meeting. Leslie seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

2. International Education Week

Student representatives presented on plans for International Education Week after meeting with CJC Event Manager Jess Osegueda. Noura discussed results of meeting and finalization of events that week. See attached summary of events that week (11/13-11/17/23).

Lewis suggested trivia contest between students and faculty after panel discussion on 11/14. Leslie suggested using international facts as questions. Babanikos seconded that idea. Leslie will forward website containing international information as basis for questions on panel to Babanikos. Hope will be to challenge international perceptions versus reality.

For Wednesday, 11/15/23 event, Lageyre stated they will move away from tables and instead have individual representation of cultures. This will avoid exclusion of cultures without student group representation. Coche will contact UFIC for number of countries represented by UF students. Once data is obtained, Coche will provide to student representatives to calculate cost. Ford will lead fundraising for purchase of flags.

3. Croatia Update

Coche presented on collaboration with University of Dubrovnik. Agreement has been signed by UFIC, CJC, and Dubrovnik. Program happening in Spring 2024. Exchange for faculty, staff and students (undergraduate and master's). Open to two students only. Dubrovnik's spring term runs February to early June. Looking to recruit students who are sophomores, possibly juniors- will need electives. Students pay tuition and fees for UF, but once in Croatia, they receive stipend from grant funding this program. Will do two calls, one for students and one for faculty. UFIC will be responsible for reviewing applications. These calls will be posted ASAP, as schedule of courses for Spring was posted today, 9/29/23. Two Croatian students will be hosted here and paid from grant.

4. Cannes Collaboration—update

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies James Babanikos presented on potential partner in Cannes, France, following their successful summer study abroad program there. Babanikos, Lageyre, and Calienes discussed their experiences last summer there and the potential opportunities for students.

5. Other Business

Sports at CJC is launching next Fall a full semester abroad program in Fall 2024. It will begin in Paris for Paralympics, move to Spain, and then finishes with internship in Dublin, Ireland. Program's physical presence ends at Thanksgiving break.

6. Adjournment

Adjourned at 10:00.