CJC International Committee 01/10/2025 Minutes of Meeting

1. Welcome & Approval of Minutes

Meeting started at 9:30AM.

Committee members present:

- Faculty representatives: Cynthia Barnett, Chris Chu, Jinping Wang, Houston Wells, Dania Alexandrino
- Admin representatives: Roxane Coche, Ted Spiker
- Staff Representative: Max Williams
- Student representatives: Sunny Xu, Kristine Crane,
- Not present: Silvana Noriega Saravia, Cecelia Edelberg
- Also present: Cloe Zeidan

Wells moves to approve the minutes, Chu seconds, all are in favor. Minutes are approved unanimously.

2. Review of international initiatives

Zeidan presents PowerPoint detailing international initiatives created to showcase CJC. Barnett also created a presentation for meeting with international visitors, which details CJC and UF. Barnett also created a presentation for those who need to present internationally on opportunities to study abroad at UF/CJC.

3. Dubrovnik student and faculty application status

Coche, McNealy, and Camaj have been selected as faculty representatives to visit Dubrovnik. Two students were selected based on this committee's recommendation. The students will be leaving to visit in the next few weeks.

4. Discussion of HdM program and Barnett visit to HdM

Barnett visited HdM during Thanksgiving week, which was their international week. She will be pitching an international student project, focusing on ground water in both areas. She also completed research on her upcoming book on ground water, by exploring Baden Baden. MOU is finished, but revisions were required due to HdM personnel changes. The document is pending execution at UF. Barnett shares that Stuttgart has strong industry and corporate presence, so it is a good fit for students who have entrepreneurial ideas related to technology.

5. International Education Week review and discussion

The international education week went very well, thanks to the hard work of the undergrad and grad international committee representatives. Barnett recommends that we make this an annual event. Williams would like to have grad student representation for the travel tales. Wells thought it was a very valuable event as well.

6. International committee goals for Spring semester

Committee will need to determine new one undergraduate and one graduate representative. It is better to start planning this now, before everyone gets busy with semester activities. Committee will start publicizing this need now. Spiker will distribute this need through undergraduate list-serv and Williams will distribute this through grad student list-serv.

Barnett shares that UFIC is going through staff turnover, which has created some administrative difficulties with study abroad programs. Wells suggests coordinating a group of faculty leading study abroad groups to share solutions they have encountered. Barnett will connect these study abroad faculty on an email chain and a document containing these solutions.

UF spring study abroad fair is 1/29 and deadline for getting a table is 1/19. Coche states Esterline and Calienes have tables reserved.

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7. Other Business

None.

Adjourned at 10:08 AM.