

KSOEHD International Education Committee Meeting Minutes November 9, 2010

Present: Otto Benavidez, Kim Cole, Teresa Huerta, Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Diane Oliver, Kien Pham, Hong Shen, Cindy Jing Sun, Don Wise

- 1. New member introduction:** Cindy Jing Sun has joined the committee. She is an international student from China and is in the Master's program for Counseling and Student Services in Higher Education.
- 2. Mr. Cher Teng Yang and Mr. Chris Cole's briefing on an initiative to develop a Hmong International Center at CSU, Fresno.** Mr. Cher Tang provided information on his efforts to sustain the Hmong culture. Some of his students took a video of him teaching them and placed it on U-Tube. He now receives emails from people across the US and internationally. He described his interesting trip to China, at the invitation of a university, and his exploration of Hmong migration paths. There is a clear need to "stabilize" the record of Hmong history and culture. Mr. Cher Teng and Mr. Cole will be meeting with Vice Provost Ellen Jung and others to discuss the possibility of establishing a Hmong Center at CSU, Fresno. The International Education Committee (IEC) discussed asking Mr. Cher Teng to make a presentation to (a) the faculty assembly, (b) the Hmong (or American Asian) students, or (c) both.
- 3. Action items from the previous meeting:**
 - The minutes were approved as written.
 - The amendment to Goal 1 was approved: "Showcase all international research, publications, and presentations produced by KSOEHD faculty" *and develop a Web page for display of related artifacts, as well as links to everything international on campus.*
 - The IEC Web site has been designed and is up.
 - The International Week activity is on track. Teresa has one class of 11 students who will attend Dr. Ileana Seda Santana's presentation on November 10th, from 11:00 to 12:00 in ED 140. Some faculty members at the Faculty Assembly meeting indicated they would be present, and we need as many of the IEC members to attend as possible. Juan Carlos will introduce the speaker and members of the IEC. The Dean indicated he would provide funding for food; Juan Carlos and Diane continue to work with Inez on the arrangements. The current estimate for food would be for 30 people and consist of "finger food."
 - No action has been taken on the international glass display case. The IEC members agreed they would email to Juan Carlos photos and explanatory caption information that depict their international activities. Teresa has students who could be tasked with arranging the photos in the display case and the photos can be changed periodically.
 - Other international committees on campus have not yet been contacted. IEC members agreed that we do not have to address all action items immediately as everyone is busy. We will work on the goals throughout the year.
- 4. New items for discussion**
 - a. *KSOEHD Constitution.* The International Education Committee needs to be aligned with the KSOEHD Constitution. First, the committee's name is International Education Committee, not the International Committee. Second, Juan Carlos and Diane are co-"coordinators" and not co-chairs; the Dean will appoint them. Third, the co-coordinators can appoint the student representative; Cindy has been so appointed. Fourth, members come from C&I, ERA, Rehab Counseling, LEE, Liberal Studies, and the Faculty Assembly (2 at large members). Juan Carlos will contact Laura to receive the actual list of who is on the committee and then will

work on aligning the current members. (If a member misses three meetings, they will be contacted by one of the co-coordinators to determine their status in continuing on the committee.)

- b. *KSOEHD Strategic Plan for 2008-2011*. The Strategic Plan assigned responsibility to the IEC for a few “global perspective” goals: (a) “create faculty forums & workshops annually,” (b) “establish an international education class,” (c) “design & implement activities involving international students & faculty.” The discussion focused on an international education class and questioned whether funding was available for creation of the course and who would enroll in such a course. There also was some discussion of leading faculty trips abroad to build the integration of international knowledge and experiences into the curriculum. Funding might be an obstacle unless a grant could be obtained.
- c. *IEC Web page*. The content of the IEC Web page was discussed. A unique logo may not be used. IEC members who have not yet sent their biographical paragraph to Juan Carlos for posting with their photo were requested to do so. All meeting minutes and the annual goals will be posted. A history of the committee could be researched and posted. IEC members were asked to provide photos of, and information about their international work for posting on the Web site.
- d. *Culture of communication*. Juan Carlos discussed a new culture of communication for the IEC (outreach to KSOED and university-wide). This will be done through the Web page, activities, and contacting other international committees on campus.

5. Summary of actions to be taken

Actions	Responsibilities
1. Continue to seek attendees and finalize food arrangements for International Week	Juan Carlos, Diane, and all IEC members
2. Provide photos and captions of international activities to Juan Carlos	IEC members
3. Update the international glass display case	Juan Carlos and Teresa work together in providing the materials and students to develop the display in the case
4. Provide bio information, and photos of, as well as information about, international work for the IEC Web site	IEC members
5. Align IEC membership with the KSOEHD Constitution	Juan Carlos will research and coordinate action
6. Ask the Dean if there is any funding or support for developing an international education class or for trips abroad.	Juan Carlos will take this for action

6. Next meeting

Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, at 1:00 p.m., in ED 254.

Date: December 14, 2010