Opening:

The regular meeting of the Center for Multicultural Engagement was called to order at 11: a.m. on 10/01/2010 in Sage 202 by Antonio Jiménez.


A. New Business

1. University 392

   a. Trips scheduled for winter and summer include: Spain/Morocco, France, Japan, and South Africa.

   b. Application deadline is October 6, 2010. Deadline for IRA is October 31, 2010. The committee should meet in two to three weeks to vote on courses.

   c. A discussion was held regarding whether or not graduate international experiences should also be reviewed by the Center for International Affairs.

      i. The general consensus of the board was that all international travel should be approved by the Center for curricular purposes and as an extra measure of protection for the faculty member.

      ii. Ideas were also presented regarding guidelines requiring that faculty members presenting proposals for an international experience must show familiarity with the culture or have a fully guided trip.

      iii. The idea was proposed to develop a University 592 course

2. 5 Year Plan

   a. Antonio led a discussion on the necessity for a new 5 year plan. A call for volunteers was extended. Those who volunteered were Beth, Andrea, Antonio and Norma. This group will meet once a month with the goal to draft a document by the end of the academic year.
3. International Week

   a. Because of other conflicting campus events, new dates of November 29-Dec 3, 2010 were chosen for this year’s International Week.

   b. Andrea Grove, Elnora Tayag and Susanna Brüggen were selected to plan and execute activities, with Tacey Burnham giving logistical assistance.

   c. An idea was proposed to make activity passports available to the student body with each separate activity giving a stamp in the passport. If students attended all the activities, they would be given a prize. Student Affairs could be contacted for give-aways.

   d. Ideas presented for activities were:

      i. An IP recruiting table outside the library.

      ii. A world map in the library with pins for students to put in their geographical area.

      iii. An international menu at Islands Café.

      iv. Panel discussions featuring international students focusing on how Americans are viewed in their home countries.

      v. Pub type quizzes in the dorms or student union.

      vi. An American Thanksgiving celebration for all international students to be hosted by Norma.

4. Center Activities

   a. The center has two new student assistants: Alexis Smith and Jessica Cortez. They are busy giving classroom presentations and are doing a great job.

   b. Mayumi Kowta went to India to recruit international students.

   c. An agreement with Universidad de Hidalgo in currently with their legal department. We are waiting for a signed copy.

   d. Two students from Zeppelin University are currently on campus and are helping Alexis and Jessica to recruit our students to attend Zeppelin.

   e. CIA will fund a course for the Global Studies minor. Ideas were presented for a class on global cities that would include a travel component.
Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 12.00 p.m. by Antonio Jimenez. Next meeting time is to be announced.

Minutes submitted by: Tacey Burnham

Approved by: Antonio Jimenéz