

Student Life Committee Minutes
April 10, 2008

Attending: Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, Mike Segawa, Cathy Hale, Mita Mahato, Jan Leuchtenberger, Glynnis Kirchmeier, Emily Green.

The Chair updated the Committee on his visit to the ISAC meeting:

- He reported to the committee on what we have been doing in order to make sure that the two committees are not duplicating their efforts. ISAC members were very receptive and offered a number of good ideas.
- At that meeting the Chair met Jan Moore from International Programs, who gave him a copy of collated responses from question 4A on II's Study Abroad Questionnaire (which asks "In what ways can you measure your academic growth as a result of taking these courses [abroad]?"). The Chair expressed his gratitude to Jan for these, because since the questionnaire is not on line, she had to collate and type them all up by hand.
- Jan also said the II has an excel sheet with the names of all students who have been abroad recently, and it would be easy to a list of those just returned to alert faculty who might have them in their classes and want to tap into their expertise.
- Jan also said she could put our pre-departure survey onto the agenda of the pre-departure meeting and put it on the checklist of things that students need to do before leaving.
- The Chair has decided to meet with Yoshiko Matsui to work on setting up the pre-departure survey on Survey Monkey and having it available in time for the pre-departure meeting on April 21.

On the copyright issue brought up at previous meetings, Chair said he would contact Randy about it – the use of the questions may be covered by the fees currently being paid.

The Committee then went over each question proposed for the pre-departure survey and discussed adding a few. One added question was about the students' anticipated career path (to be a write-in question). The plan is to ask it again in the return survey to see the influence of study abroad on their career plans.

Another question that was added was about the program and the languages of instruction (stressing that there could be more than one).

At the next meeting of the Committee, the leadership and residential seminar questions will be addressed again, and the committee will prepare its final report to the Senate. It

will also set charges for the following year and meet the new head of the ASUPS Student Concerns Committee.

Respectfully submitted
Jan Leuchtenberger

There next meeting of the Student Life Committee will be determined at the beginning of the Fall semester.