

Draft Minutes of the International Institute APC Meeting
Dec 14, 2005

Present: G. Bousquet, E. Covington, M. Curtin, C. Meschievitz, M. Ferree, R. Hess, M. Kenoyer, D. Morgan, J. Pevehouse, L. Pescatore, G. Podesta, P. Rumble, M. Schatzberg, S. Smith, A. Sutton, J. Tishler, A. Tripp, A. Vargas, C. Williams, L. Young, J. Zeitlin

1. The APC read and approved the minutes of the last meeting held 10/19/05.
2. Announcements: Gilles noted the very recent and successful alumni event at the South African Embassy in DC; the event highlighted the successful first semester of the DC Semester program. Gilles also noted that the division has raised over \$1 million in gifts and pledges, all tied to specific projects and initiatives. Gilles then introduced Laura Pescatore, a new staff member assigned to assist in fund raising and alumni development.
3. Aili Tripp and Michael Curtin led a discussion on the future of the International Institute. The Institute needs to complete a new strategic plan and they will lead a process over the coming weeks, at Gilles' request, to solicit input and create ideas for future activities of the Institute. A planning questionnaire will be sent to all chairs and selected past chairs; faculty involved in area and international studies will be interviewed. After an extended period of consultation and discussion, plans will be drawn up and reviewed with the APC at future meetings. Linked to the planning process will be events designed to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the International Institute, including a May 2006 event that is more introspective, and a Fall 2006 event that will be more public and celebratory. It is hoped that in this process each program can also examine their own academic program goals, assess the relationship of the program to the Institute, and help advise on the best relationship the Institute can have with the rest of the campus.
4. Gilles made a brief report on NCOLCTL for Antonia Schleicher; her advisory board has been meeting and Antonia remains committed to working closely with Institute programs on future projects.
5. Gilles led a brief discussion on the need to examine our various programmatic links to undergraduate education and in particular certificates. The goal is to find ways to connect earlier and more actively to our undergraduate students while they are on campus, and to create links that will remain with us after they graduate. The student life continuum is an important element in friend raising and constituency building, and Gilles offered to assist programs willing to create venues for student cultivation. APC discussion raised the additional ideas of creating student awards for written papers and other ways to recognize top student educational achievement in international studies. Ideas can be sent to Gilles for further consideration.
6. Gilles noted that an alum from Chicago in the real estate field has offered to come to Madison in spring 2006 to advise on future space needs for the Institute. The alum's expertise on building design and construction could come in handy in the future as we plan long term space needs.

7. Cathy Meschievitz announced that she has accepted a new position to be Director of International Programs at Florida Atlantic University, and that therefore this meeting of the II APC will be her last one. Her new position begins March 1, 2006. Cathy thanked the faculty and staff of the Institute for many years of cooperation, collaboration, and fun in building the International Institute.

The meeting was adjourned and the APC joined Gilles for an end of the semester luncheon..