**Draft Minutes: Academic Senate Standing Committee on Internationalization**

Date: March 23, 2012

Present: Arenillas (Chair), Ball, Burgmeier, Delpier, Mills, Mowafy, Steinhaus, Xie

Absent: Fletcher, Stunkard

Meeting called to order at 11:45 a.m.

Remaining meetings: April 27.

**Reports:**

**Chair Report**

Arenillas informed the committee that we will have the opportunity to meet for an hour with each candidate applying for the Director of International Programs when they come for campus visits. See New Business below for additional details on the search.

**Secretary Report**

None

**Dean of International Programs Report**

None

**Old Business**

**Consideration of the Global Faculty and Student Recognition at NMU**

Arenillas indicated that the faculty proposal was completed at the last meeting. She will forward the final version to committee members via email. The committee will review and finalize the student proposal at the April 27 meeting. The committee will then submit both proposals to the new provost this summer or early fall.

**New Business**

**Director of International Programs**

Arenillas updated the committee on the search for a new Director. The search committee has identified six candidates to be interviewed in the coming weeks via Skype. From these interviews the search committee will invite 3 candidates for campus visits. The search committee is trying to complete the interview process before the end of the semester. Arenillas indicated that the position title has changed from Dean back to Director but the responsibilities of the position have not changed.

The committee discussed desirable qualifications of candidates and suggested a few questions to ask the candidates when we have the opportunity to meet with them. Burgmeier will circulate these questions with committee members via email and solicit additional questions.

Questions for Director of International Programs Candidate Interviews

* What do you see as your role in advocating for international students?
* Can you talk about your experiences working with units on campus that have been less than cooperative and how did you work through these challenges?
* Do you have experience dealing with International Students who have had criminal problems?

**International Visiting Scholar Program**

Tim Compton indicated to Arenillas that this program is being considered for cancellation, due to a lack of money and generally low attendance. Arenillas reported that 65 people were in attendance at the presentation by the scholar she helped bring to campus and that presentations by other visiting scholars have also been well attended. Arenillas solicited ideas for how COI might advocate keeping the program alive. Send your ideas to Arenillas for discussion at the next meeting.

**The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted

Mike Burgmeier