**Minutes: Academic Senate Committee on Internationalization (COI)**

Date: September 21, 2012

Present: Arenillas (Chair), Burgmeier, Delpier, Kakas, Steinhaus, Stunkard, Whalen, Warchol

Absent: Xie

Next meeting: October 5, 2012, 9:00am in LRC 111i.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Reports:**

**Chair Report**

Arenillas welcomed our new committee members. We all took turns introducing ourselves.

Election of committee officers: Arenillas was elected chair and Burgmeier secretary.

There doesn’t seem to be a time when all committee members are available to meet this semester. Based on responses the greatest number could meet Friday’s from 9:00-10:00am. We did not set the semester meeting dates since we have not yet decided on our yearly agenda but the next meeting is scheduled for October 5, from 9:00-10:00am in LRC 111i.

Tim Compton indicated last year that, as acting director of International Programs, he would not be able to attend our meetings. Burgmeier asked if we could invite him to our next meeting since we have not had any contact with the director since Marcelo Siles resigned in December 2011. Arenillas will extend an invitation to Compton to attend our next meeting.

The search conducted last spring for a new Director of International Programs was unsuccessful. The search was reopened this past summer but Arenillas was out of the country and therefore COI is not represented on the search committee. It is Arenillas’ understanding that the search committee is currently reviewing applications. She will check into the status of the search and ask that we have the opportunity to meet with potential candidates during campus interviews.

**Secretary Report**

Burgmeier will send out copies of the January 2010 Strategic Consulting report to committee members. He will also forward copies of the COI Recommendations that were based on that report and submitted to the Provost in December of 2010.

**Director of International Programs Report**

None

**Old Business**

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

Arenillas will check on the status of Recognition of International Focused Faculty proposal we submitted last spring. We decided to hold off on completing the student proposal for now and will revisit the proposal later this year.

**New Business**

Agenda for the 2012-2013 academic year:

It was recommended that we develop a proposal to the Provost to restore the International Visiting Scholars Program.

Kakas suggested we look for contacts within the community related to internationalization such as the Marquette Sister City program.

Arenillas asked everyone to look over the consultant’s report and the COI recommendations for ideas about things the committee can work on this year. Bring these and other ideas to the next meeting.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted

Mike Burgmeier