Minutes: International Education Committee, November 18, 2011

Members in attendance: Kent Wisniewski, Linda Tracy, Rebecca Perlroth, Ty Benoit, Danielle King, Rebecca Perlroth, Kerry Campbell-Price, Anson O’Rourke-Sargent

Absent: Hiroshi Fuchigami, Freyja Pereira, Nicole Villano

1. Recap of this year’s faculty selection process—what worked; what didn’t work
   - Swiftness in getting a response out to applicants of who was selected worked
   - Good that Consortium meeting was soon after to make faculty selection
   - Weakness of some applicants
   - Need top applicants to be able to teach in both programs (Fall/Spring)
   - Take top three applicants names to Consortium instead of two
   - Encourage past applicants to apply
   - Need more flexibility with a bigger pool

2. Florence Report - # of students, provisional students, local reception in December, pre-departure meeting
   - 36 students from SRJC and 92 overall currently going to Florence
   - 2 provisional students – good mid-term reports
   - Kerry invited the committee to attend the reception on December 2 hosted by George Freund and his wife for the Florence Students
   - Lynn to send invite to committee members
   - Kerry invited committee to Pre-Departure Meeting on January 14 at the Petaluma campus

3. Location of Study Abroad Program for 2012-2013
   - Linda suggested that Study Abroad be housed in Language Lab and Patty Warne take over as coordinator. She will discuss with Victor Cummings
   - Kerry feels the ideal placement would be International Studies/Study Abroad housed in one office
   - What do we pitch to the new President? Have a 5-year plan of where to locate the program
   - Discussion about offering a Summer program
   - Danielle suggested looking at other programs like AIFS and how to cut costs
   - Kerry will contact AIFS about costs for their summer programs
   - Kerry to check with Chuck Robbins and Kim Hunt on history of how Study Abroad and International Studies worked in the past
   - Anson (student representative) supports summer program as a STEM student. STEM students can’t afford to take a semester abroad from the STEM program.
   - Anson suggested sending out the facts of what classes went and which ones had low enrollments or were cancelled
4. Other
   • Have informational meeting for Study Abroad faculty on the Fall PDA Day instead of the Spring PDA Day

Next Meeting: December 9, 2011