CVIP BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, January 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President, David Horner at 9:54 am. Thank you to the Speakers Bureau and Scholarship Programs for today’s refreshments.

**Attendance:** Dottie Schmidt, William R. Eubank, Lillian Kumata, Carol Towl, David Horner, Anna Kortemeyer, Mary Barrett, Peggy Arbanas, Erika Nwankwo Larson, Ann McCall, Pat Barrett, Fred Fritz, Bonnie Bankson, Nicole Namy, Jo Pamment and Stacey Bieler and guest, Matt Delaney

Matt is working on a master’s degree in Student Affairs. He needs to explore ways in which the ministry bridges gaps with MSU students. We all introduced ourselves and told a little about the CVIP areas we work with.

**Minutes:** Several corrections were made to the December minutes and then Stacey moved and Lillian seconded that the December minutes be approved as amended.

**Treasurer’s Report, December 2009:** Ann McCall

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Yearly Summary of Dividends $17.13

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Treasurer’s Report cont.: On 12/31/07, the last date on which we separated the Japanese Teachers Fund (money which was donated to Lillian Kumata as hostess for the Japanese Teachers’ visit) in the Treasurer’s Report, the amount in the Fund was $879.98. After keeping this as a separate item for many months, Lillian consented to have it combined with CVIP general funds. When the need for funding for shelving for the new location of the Lending Center arose, Lillian and the general membership gave consent to spend CVIP funds for this special, non-recurring expense.

**Administrative Services Report:** William Eubank and Pat Barrett

**Membership**
Membership in CVIP is approximately 910 members (individuals and families). Please remember to give Pat Barrett a list of new volunteers or those who have changed their status. Thanks!

**Public Relations**
Nothing to report at this time.

**Office**
The University is working on a comprehensive calendar for all University events and Bill is adding CVIP events to it as well as putting the current CVIP calendar on our web page. He circulated a CVIP Draft Calendar for Spring 2009. Arlene Brophy, chair of the CVIP Visioning Committee, needs to be added to all lists, email and mailing labels.

**Report from ISP Dean’s Office:** Charles Gliozzo

**2009 International Awards**
**Application Deadline is January 29. You could obtain applications and further details by going to www.isp.msu.edu and click on IAC.**

The traditional International Awards Ceremony and Reception hosted by the ISP Dean will be on **April 1st** on the third floor of the International Center. Recipients will receive awards for the following:

- The Ralph H. Smuckler Award for Advancing International Studies and Programs
- The John K. Hudzik Emerging Leader in Advancing International Studies and Programs
- The Joon S. Moon Distinguished International Alumni Award
- The Gill-Chin Lim Award for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation in Global Studies
- The Glen L. Taggart Award for Community Contribution to International Understanding
- The MSU Award for Outstanding Service to Study Abroad
- The Homer Higbee International Education Award
- Special Recognition Award - "special circumstances occasionally merit the selection of one or more individuals to receive this award."
Of particular interest to CVIP would be The Glen Taggart Award for Community Contribution and the Homer Higbee Awards that are primarily given to MSU students and one award is given "annually to a member of CVIP."

**Michigan Council on Citizen Diplomacy**

The community impact report that I completed for NCIV from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008, indicates impressive growth with programming for ninety visitors representing a diversity of countries and disciplines in seventeen programs. The result is that our organization is eligible for a Community Partnership Grant from NCIV and the State Department for over 8,000 dollars. Members of this group include Chuck Gliozzo, Executive Co-Chair, Colleen Pero, Co-Chair, Michael Miller, Director of VIPP and Nicole Namy of OISS.

**OISS Report:** Nicole Namy

With the news that IBM plans to move into a large section of the Crescent Road MSU Federal Credit Union recently vacated by the Credit Union when they moved to their new facility, we know that many more international visitors will be coming to our area. A new emphasis on “citizen diplomacy” was mentioned several times by Hilary Clinton, new Secretary of State in her speech earlier this week. We have a new staff person, Neringa who is working with the H visa program. We have also just hired another new advisor, Jung Koral. Spring Semester International Student Orientation went very well as we welcomed more than 200 new graduate and undergraduate international students. The number of undergraduate and graduate international students is about equal. There is a 40% increase in international student applications for fall 2009 admission. OISS has partnered with the East Lansing Public Library in a literacy event called Warm Up To Michigan. Also OISS helped with an event at the MI Historical Museum and on March 7 OISS will be a sponsor to help kick off Reading Month at Red Cedar School when they host the author, Antonio Sacre, who will present his children’s book “The Barking Mouse” about the need to know more than one language. The school is trying to raise $3000 so that every child can own a copy of this book.

**Haslett A+ ESL Report:** Jo Pamment

This is the final week of the fall semester. The spring semester begins on Jan. 12, and we are registering now.

The State office is restructuring adult education and our funding system, which takes us back to wondering what will happen next year.

**VETP Report:** Dottie Schmidt

No report.
**VIPP Report**: William Eubank

VIPP classes started January 20, 2009. In early February we will welcome about 18 Korean and 12 Chinese participants to VIPP. The world economic situation is having an impact on VIPP programs. Short term workshops are being developed for summer 2009.

**Visioning Committee**: Arlene Brophy

The Visioning Committee is meeting in four small groups to work on the following topics: making a video of CVIP, scholarships, affiliations, and recommendations for working with volunteers. The Committee will meet on February 26 to discuss making recommendations to the CVIP Board.

**Announcements**: David Horner

CVIP received a very nice Christmas card from Marcia Mittwede. Also a thank you from the family of Arnella Turner.

CVIP received the following email information:

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**CHARGE**

STUDENTS AS COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT

Steering Committee (August 2008)

Initiative undertaken under the auspices of Internationalizing the Student Experience (ISE)

Initiative co-sponsored by

- Office of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education
- Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Services, and Associate Provost for Academic Student Services and Multicultural Issues
  - Office of the Dean, International Studies and Programs; and the Office of Study Abroad
- Office of the Vice Provost, University Outreach and Engagement; and the Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement
- Office of the Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Office of the Dean, Residential College in Arts and Humanities

Initiative developed by
Karen McKnight Casey, Cindy Chalou, Vince Delgado, Diane Doberneck, Frank Fear, Jim Lucas, Austin Melcher, Richard Paulsen, Tom Rios, and Scott Yoder
MSU seeks to engender the next generation of globally engaged scholars by supporting an increased focus in engagement opportunities for our students – both *inbound* and *abound* – in Michigan, the U.S., and the world. This work would be undertaken in partnership with local community organizations and institutions, especially in those locations where MSU has existing development and/or engagement initiatives underway or seeks to establish and maintain sustained collaborations. In this work, reciprocity in learning and advancement between MSU and its partners is vital and in tandem with MSU’s engagement philosophy.

MSU will assemble a working group of faculty, students, administrators, and community members to explore possibilities for strengthening international engagement and recommend future institutional directions. The Working Group’s charge: Prepare a practical and scholarly vision to develop a new generation of internationally engaged scholars. The goal is to propose ways to embed this work at MSU with special emphasis on enabling MSU to do a better job of preparing students for robust engagement in the world—as engaged professionals and citizens (contribute to enhanced levels of critical global competencies, such as perspective-taking, listening skills, the ability to address issues of power and privilege, and capacity to stimulate organizational and community capacity building, etc). Important matters to address include how work in this area—when added to other MSU experiences—contributes distinctively (if not uniquely) to student learning; and how work in this area can be expressed as a domain of faculty scholarship. Of special interest to MSU is organizing this effort so that a university-wide program and faculty scholarship co-evolve in mutually reinforcing ways.

Specifically, the group will:

1. Obtain a better understanding of individuals who are doing this work at MSU currently and what has been learned from their experience (e.g., models and practices);
2. Identify, assess, and interpret current scholarship and practice of international engagement and evaluate MSU’s capacity (currently and in the future) to contribute significantly and distinctively to this body of work;
3. Locate existing platforms (e.g., program, unit, and college levels) at MSU and describe how moving in the proposed direction will add value to work associated with their priorities;
4. Propose a way of moving forward that will stimulate collaboration across campus, particularly in terms of building bridges between academic and student affairs;
5. Describe how this work could be expressed through diverse curricular and co-curricular options;
6. Recommend an appropriate organizational structure (e.g., center, program, network), determine if an administrative home is needed (and, if so provide recommendations as to where to locate it institutionally), identify appropriate levels of financial support to ensure success, and develop benchmarks and optimum outcomes;
7. Propose how we might sustain and grow this work into an area of scholarly inquiry, including identifying external funding possibilities (sources and
magnitude), and publication opportunities across disciplines, professions, and multi-disciplinary fields.

Steering Committee Co-Chairs:
Vincent Delgado, Academic Specialist for Civic Engagement
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Cheryl Rosaen, Professor of Teacher Education
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INTERNSHIP/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN AFRICA!
Africa Project Inc., is a non-profit organization incorporated in North Carolina, USA. Our mission is to promote Self-Reliance and International Cooperation through Education, Culture and Community Development. We are a all-volunteer run and managed organization. Our vision is to provide opportunities and an environment in which individuals can explore and realize their full potentials in life. We strive to instill in the people we empower, the culture of self-reliance and support them to bring development and positive changes in their lives as well as in the lives of the members of their community. We promote empowerment, not charity.

We offer unpaid Volunteer, College Internship and Service Learning opportunities both at our local office and in African countries. Africa Project Inc., partners and collaborates with community-based organizations in different African countries. We research and locate program opportunities for our interns and volunteers and match them based on interests, qualifications and needs of the host organizations.

Please, pick up application forms and program materials from our office or download from our website at www.africaproject.net

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OLD BUSINESS

Budget Summary: David Horner
David circulated the results of the CVIP budget requests. He will have a meeting with Peter Briggs next week. David will call all Program chairs about their “wish list”.
**Needs Assessment Survey:** Nicole Namy
This is expected to go out February 8 after Ravi returns.

**Web-site update:** Pat Barrett
The Website Committee (represented by David Horner, Pat Barrett, and Nicole Namy) met once during the holidays. Acting on the advice of Ravi Ammigan (OISS), we decided to revise the design of the program pages. Nicole will work on this aspect of the website with the help of an OISS intern, Stephanie. Her target date for completion is the end of January. In the meantime, the other members of the committee will be text-tweaking the other sections of the website (*About CVIP, FAQ, Donations*, etc.).

**Constitution:** Pat Barrett
The CVIP Constitution was adopted with a few minor changes, as presented at the December 10th meeting. It was distributed by email to all Board members.

**OISS Outreach Meeting:** Dottie Schmidt
Held Wednesday, November 19, 2008; 3-4pm, Room 305 International Center

About 15-18 people attended this meeting designed to bring together people from various programs at MSU who interact with the community in some way.

I didn’t know many of the people attending so it was a little hard to get a handle on where they were coming from.

Jim from ISE (Internationalizing the Student Experience)
A coordinated effort of ISP, Student Affairs and Student Life

NAFSA is currently redefining “internationalizing”

Tom Rios talked about a meeting (I think of Humphrey Fellows) he had attended with John Metzler which had made a huge impression on him. They are working on “interaction patterns affecting people on campus”????

Terms such as “Bridging the gap between multiculturalism and internationalization” and “Student driven experiences.” or “Outreach versus inreach.” were thrown around a lot.

University Relations is doing a phone survey.

One Book One Community is an example of university/community interaction.

LATTICE and the College of Education. Gift Gap

Improving global competence; Confucius Institute; Zon

VIPP rep talked about global internships
African Studies is involved in bringing Africa to the residence halls. Africa Gala Night-Africa Week; Scout Banana, Common Fire

Terry Walsh is involved in a Tuesday evening campus radio broadcast called “This Global Spartan”

CASID-WID Humphrey Fellows, LCC, MSU Evening College

Japan Center is involved with 15 public universities in Michigan

Study Abroad is involved with the student essay contest which includes both returning Study Abroad students and international students.

NEW BUSINESS

Newsletter: Some rethinking of the format of the CVIP Newsletter is taking place. Stacey, Fred and David had a meeting to discuss the purpose of the newsletter and other aspects of getting CVIP information to the community. Why not have a human interest story on the front page?

PROGRAM REPORTS

Scholarship: Lillian Kumata

The Scholarship Committee received a check for the Younkers Community Day Coupon Booklet sales. Our share of the bonus award was $281.54. Thanks to the board members' participation in selling the booklets we received a generous bonus. As you recall, we sold 89 booklets which totaled $445. This plus the $281.54 earned us $726.54 for the Scholarship Fund. This is a very easy way to raise funds for the scholarship. I hope you will all support the effort next fall again.

We received a very nice letter of appreciation from one of the Chinese recipients. She wondered how she could join the big family of CVIP. I will give her name to the Speakers Bureau. Maybe she would be willing to help. I also will remember to ask her to volunteer for the Gift Shop this fall.

The Scholarship Committee is planning to have a meeting to review the requirements for eligibility to apply for the scholarship. A date was set up but due to my illness it was canceled. We have asked the Visioning Committee to help us with this and the Chairperson wants to see if there are any other volunteers from the Committee who would work with us. We will meet before the next Visioning Committee meeting which will be held February 26.
Every Tuesday:  Mary Barrett

There have been no E.T. meetings since the December Board meeting. Every Tuesday will resume on January 20th, when we will make fleece lap blankets as our craft project.

Global Festival:  Peggy Arbanas

A follow-up meeting to Global Festival 2008 will be held on Tuesday, January 20 from 10 am-Noon in the MSU Union Building. A thank you tea may be held later in the spring. We need to do a budget check with Nancy to see how much money remains in the Global Festival budget. Reported spending for 2008 was well below budget so there may be some money left.

Home Visits:  Lisa Homeniuk

No report

Friendship Family:  Iris Horner

Nicole did a “mini-orientation” for a female student from China who was then matched with a family in time for the holidays. Two other students were placed for a holiday only invitation. We had other families who would have invited a student for Christmas dinner but although I did let Nicole and others at OISS know about this, the need didn’t seem apparent.

Student applications were reopened in mid-December and we currently have 14 students waiting for the next orientation which will be held on February 8th. We are expecting more applications as this new semester begins.

Speakers Bureau: Carol Bryson and Carol Towl co-chairs, Mitsuko Marx member

We are trying to strengthen our connection to LATTICE by attending their monthly meetings. The Speakers Bureau has been active in December and early January, despite the MSU holiday break, when many students are away.

Dec. 10:  Ngoc Lan Thi Dang from Viet Nam spoke with the International Interest Group of the MSU Community Club.
Dec. 20:  Norseha Unin from Malaysia, Kingdom Kwapata from Ghana, and Raman Saleem from Pakistan spoke at a leadership conference for high school students sponsored by the Delta Waverly Rotary Club.
Jan. 7:  Aritro Nath was well received when he presented Indian culture to senior citizens at Allen Community Center
Jan. 16:  Amancio Souza will share Brazilian culture with members of the Civitan Club at their monthly luncheon meeting.
Jan 16 & 17: Rahman Saleem from Pakistan, Jakub Olszoweic from Poland, and Eric Bailey from Jamaica will speak with high school students in the day treatment program in Eaton Rapids (Tamiko Rothhorn, teacher).

A presentation for the East Lansing Senior Center has been postponed for lack of sign-ups. We hope to step up publicity with this group to help establish an on-going relationship with international speakers.

A number of requests are in process for February and March.

We hope to schedule another orientation session for prospective international speakers sometime in February.

**Lending Center:** Erika Nwankwo Larson

Workers: We welcome two new workers, Sharon Neuner and Jean Gannon

Extra Hours for New Students: We opened five days that week instead of two. We had four new students and five repeats. The three extra days were duds. We put in 23 extra hours and got a lot of cleaning and organizing done.

Lansing Teen Challenge & Sisters’ Maternity Center: A brochure was circulated from this Center.

Shelving/Fixtures for New Location: We have the shelving from Linens ‘n Things in storage in an MSU warehouse. We are waiting for them to finish up our space so we can move it and set it all up. Once the shelving is in place, we’ll plan our move. Moving goal—May 2009

**Dates to Remember**

CVIP Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 11, 2009. Refreshments at 9am and meeting begins at 9:30am.