

CVIP Board Meeting, 3/14/2018

Minutes

In attendance:

Joy Shantz, Lisa Homeniuk, Anita Turner, Bernard Pope, Mary Barrett, Pat Barrett, Mary Hennessey, Carol Towl, Raj Wiener, Matt Buckley, Patrice Klein, Barb Sawyer-Koch, Peggy Arbanas, Dottie Schmidt, Stacey Bieler, Marge Weldon, Pat Klein

1. President's Report:

CVIP fundraising letter has been sent to colleagues in International Advancement to review and edit. The plan is to send the letter to the current membership list (which is around 970 people). Bernard has sent the list around to all board members to be edited and cut down to a more reasonable number.

2. Financial Report:

Younkers has filed for bankruptcy, meaning they will not pay the bonus check for selling the coupon books from this fall – and this project will likely not continue into next fall as a viable fundraising option.

3. OISS Update:

International student numbers continue to drop for fall 2018 – looking at around 700 new freshmen for this fall (down from close to 1000 for last fall).

Chris Bargerstock is taking a new job on campus, so she only has a few weeks left in the office.

Dates to remember:

Coffee Hours, always Friday from 4-6pm in Spartan Rooms B&C off the International Center Food Court

Friday March 16 = Pakistani Student Association Host

Friday April 13 = Refuge Lansing Exhibit

Friday April 28 = Graduation Coffee Hour

Saturday, April 7 at the ELPL = If You Want to Know Me, conversation hour event 3-5pm

Wednesday, April 18 = OISS Globie Awards, Room 303 International Center from 4-6pm

4. Other updates:

Spring newsletter deadline for articles will be early April, and the team could use more help! Connect with Pat Klein to get involved.

Spring Luncheon will be in May – suggestions for CVIP award winners can be sent to Lisa/Mary/Rick.

Discussion:

Board discussed how to handle initial interest in CVIP from potential volunteers through ONE source, instead of receiving multiple emails from various program directors.

Idea was posed for creating a "Community Engagement Committee" within CVIP, so as to not let people slip away. Raj Wiener and Matt Buckley mentioned interest in helping serve as these kind of ambassadors for CVIP.

