

## International Education (Global Engagement) Program Council Minutes

4 September 2013

1:35p meeting called to order

Present: Heba Abourahma (Chair, Chemistry), Winnie Brown-Glade (African-American Studies), Luke Butler (Biology), Kevin Fay (Admissions), Gary Fienberg (Music), Cynthia Paces (History), Moussa Sow (World Languages & Cultures), Jon Stauff (Center for Global Engagement).

1. Overview of last year. The council has been re-named the Global Engagement Program Council.

2. Cynthia Paces elected chair for 2013-14.

3. Luke Butler will be the vice-chair for 2013-2014.

4. Jon Stauff discussed some upcoming issues for the Council to work on: development of a risk management policy, strategic planning to internationalize the campus.

5. Jon Stauff provided an update on the Ramapo College program in India: the faculty leader of the Ramapo program recently visited campus to discuss their program; recommendations will be coming to Council soon to approve the program for TCNJ students.

6. Cynthia Paces raised the idea of improving PR about success stories in global engagement. Cynthia Paces discussed U. Richmond's digital newsletter as a possible model for a way to package/publicize stories. Perhaps something produced in CGE by GCE college enhancement interns?

**Action item:** Contact Emily Dodd in PR to let her know that the GEPC is eager to work with her to facilitate development of promotional materials.

7. Jon Stauff will e-mail a draft proposal for the study abroad program to Trinidad, which is being co-led by Winnie Brown-Glaude and Ruth Palmer. The current plan is to pilot the program this winter session, during the time Trinidad is preparing for carnivale, with an educational focus on the role of culture in the development of the national Trinidadian identity. A service-learning component is being developed for working in elementary schools on mask-making, in support of the educational purpose of thinking about how creation of a personal mask expresses one's identity as a Trinidadian.

8. Next meeting 9/21 @1:30p.

**Action item:** Cynthia Paces will reserve a room and notify the Council.

2:12p meeting adjourned.