

**USG System Council on International Education
27 January 2017; 10:00 - Noon**

Middle Georgia State University, Professional Services Building, Room: 211

Minutes

Welcome and introductions

See attached registration list for the meeting today, to confirm attendees.

The SCIE Chair, Robin Catmur, introduced the Executive Committee, Area Chairs, and USG representatives:

Vice-chair, Salli Vargis, Georgia Perimeter College, CISS Chair – Brett Reichert, EA Chair – Liz Havey
Council chairs:

Dr Daniel Skidmore-Hess – Africa Council
Jose de Arimateia da Cruz – Americas Council
David Starling – Asia Council
Maria Darley – European Council
Jacek Lubecki – Middle East Council

USG representatives:

Tammy Rosner, Director of International Education at USG, Shaye Robinson,
Shaye Robinson, International Education Coordinator

Review of meetings format and locations

Minutes from September 2016 meeting were approved with no corrections; motion seconded and passed.

I. Update from the Board of Regents office – Tammy Rosner

II. Please see attached PowerPoint slides

- Congratulations offered to Georgia Gwinnett College on their Honorable Mention award for the Haiskell award. <http://www.iie.org/en/Who-We-Are/IENetwork-Membership/Heiskell-Awards/Georgia-Gwinnett-College#.WJTRB1UrJhE>
- Statistics:
Education Abroad participation:
International Students: increased 5% to 14344
- New revised office website: http://www.usg.edu/international_education
- List of accepted tests for IEP's: located within the Academic and Student Affairs Handbook, and also on the IE website:
http://www.usg.edu/international_education/esl_programs/english_proficiency_requirements
- ESL program review process: began this winter. Notices sent to the Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs. Responses due by March 1, 2017. These program reviews will be conducted every three years. Approval letters can also be used for SEVIS recertification.
- Reminder: please submit all Open Doors reports, including the IEP report.
- International Student Recruitment seminar – Tammy asked if there was interest.

- III. Jan Rodd from Albany State: Jan provided an update on how they were doing following the storms that occurred earlier in January, and last week. The group held a moment of silence, and offered support.
- IV. **Reports out from Subcommittees**
 - International Student and Scholars – Brett Reichert, GSU
 - a. Introduction of Tim Edenfield, new to GSU as a scholar advisor
 - b. reminded all of GILC conference,
 - c. agenda items for CISS meeting: review tax support, FLSA impact, DACA, approve prior minutes, announce new positions, discuss charge to committee
 - d. GAIE conference reminder – Feb 2 and 3
- V. Education Abroad - Liz Havey, Georgia College
 - a. Italian government regulations
 - b. Insurance update
 - c. Athletes & Education abroad
 - d. Education Abroad Directory & website updates
- VI. **Updates from USG Councils:**
 - a. Africa
 - i. Dr Daniel Skidmore-Hess at Daniel.skidmore-Hess@armstrong.edu
 - ii. Mary D. Mears: SEMAU Conference and National Model African Union Conference. The 20th Southeast Model African Union Conference hosted by UGA on November 3-5, 2016 was a success. The guest speaker was Dr. Cynthia Oremi Jarret- Thorpe, the Consul of Sierra Leone, Atlanta office. Approximately 200 students and advisors attended the conference. The national Model African Union will be held February 23-26 in Washington, D. C.. Middle Georgia State University will send 2 delegations to represent Namibia and Comoros
 - b. Americas
 - i. Dr. Jose de Arimateia da Cruz jose.dacruz@armstrong.edu
 - ii. Americas Council will have their conference in Savannah, Georgia February 10-11, 2017. We have sent out the call for papers and we are still accepting papers. If anyone is interested in submitting a proposal there is still time.
 - c. European
 - i. Maria Darley: mdarley@augusta.edu
 - d. Middle East:
 - i. Jacek Lubecki (jlubecki@georgiasouthern.edu) at Georgia Southern
 - ii. meeting by skype 1/23
 - e. Asia Council:
 - i. David L Starling dstarlin@valdosta.edu Valdosta State University
 - ii. Japan will be the focus of the Asia Council workshop this year. Eric Kendrick is heading up the organization. Dates TBA
 - iii. We voted (again) to make the Asian Studies Certificate available to schools which don't offer Asian languages. Eric Kendrick (our champion) will draft language for approval, as well.
 - iv. Several members are going to the Asian Studies Development Conference in Portland, Oregon - March 2-4 - it sounds like a great conference.
 - v. Website: <http://www.eastwestcenter.org/education/asian-studies-development-program/national-conference/2017-asdp-national-conference>
- VII. **Other items**

- a. Chair-elect – SCIE election results – Dr. Maria-Elena Doyle was introduced as the new chair of the System Committee on International Education. She gave some opening remarks, and is looking forward to working with all of us.
- b. DACA court case approval: Because USG is filing an appeal to the DACA lawsuit determination, there is no change in the policies as set by the Board of Regents. A memo was sent to all Presidents confirming this by USG.
- c. Pending immigration executive orders: there are more pending EO's, one of which focuses on Employment based visa programs. The final version may be quite different from the draft that is circulating. Nothing is know right now.
- d. Schedule for SCIE meetings – The fall meeting date proposed is Friday, September 22nd, 2017. We discussed moving the winter meeting to later in the winter or early spring, but most of the Education Abroad group indicated this would create problems and schedule conflicts. It was determined to leave the meeting timing as is for now, through a more formal survey can be done as well.

VIII. **Upcoming events:**

GAIE winter conference: 2/1/2017 – 2/3/2017; Athens, GA

GILC conference: 2/17/2017 – 2/19/2017; Rock Eagle, GA.

<http://gilc.weebly.com/conference-details.html>

NAFSA Advocacy Day: March, 2017, Washington DC

NAFSA National Conference – May 27 – June 2, 2017

IX. **Next SCIE meeting date:** proposed – September 23rd, 2017.

X. Motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded and passed at 11:30am

Noon – 1:00pm – Working Lunch, Rm 211 B & C

Lunch Speaker / Demo: Keith Johanns from Great Scholar

Keith gave a demo of an online credentialing system for interested J-1 scholars who would like to find a research position at a USG school. The system allows the USG Office of International Education to act as a central clearinghouse for these scholar records. Tammy will follow up to confirm which schools are interested in this as a resources. Note there is no cost to schools who wish to use it. The fee for uploading documents and credentials falls on the scholars, and is set at \$200.

1:00 – 3:00pm: Other meetings:

Americas Council (Jose Da Cruz):	NOT MEETING (meeting at the Annual conference, Savannah, 2/10-2/11)
Middle East Council;	1:00pm – meeting by skype 1/23/17
Asia Council Meeting (David Starling);	1:00pm – PSC Rm. 239
Africa Council;	1:00pm – PSC Rm. 227
European Council;	1:00pm – PSC Rm. NOT MEETING
CISS meeting;	1:00pm – PSC Rm. 212
Ed Abroad meeting;	1:00pm – PSC Rm. 211



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**International Education
System Updates
SCIE – 01/27/2017**

GGC - 2017 Heiskell Award Honorable Mention

Heiskell Award

- The Institute of International Education (IIE) created the Heiskell awards in 2001 to promote and honor the most outstanding initiatives that are being conducted in international higher education by IIE Network member universities and colleges.
- IIE's Heiskell Awards showcase the most innovative and successful models for internationalization of campuses, study abroad, and international partnership programs in practice today.
- The goals of IIE's Heiskell Awards are:
 - To foster innovative ideas that will help international education professionals create and sustain new opportunities for students and faculty
 - To bring international education to the forefront of education policy
 - To stimulate public awareness of the benefits of study abroad and international educational exchange

GGC Program

CATEGORY: Internationalizing the Campus

Advancing curriculum development, fostering international opportunities and creatively integrating international students into university life.

"GGC's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP): As an integral part of GGC's reaffirmation for continued accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, GGC's QEP titled "Internationalization of the Curriculum: Engaging the World to Develop Global Citizens," is a five-year plan designed to enhance student learning and the student learning environment. The QEP undergirds GGC's mission to produce global citizens. It comprises a curriculum and a co-curriculum. The curriculum comprises internationalized courses and the Peace Corps Preparatory Program. The co-curriculum comprises study abroad, service learning, and campus programming."



Housekeeping

- New Website
 - Increase resources
 - Suggestions appreciated
- Survey to update contacts
- Report on International Activities
 - Data points
 - Study Abroad = 7530 (increase of 263) – Goal of 8500 2018-2019
 - International Students = 14344 (increase of 1,046) – up to 5% (with rounding)



Reporting

OPEN DOORS

- Please remember that completing the **Open Doors International Student Census** and the **Study Abroad survey** are recommendations from the system office.
- You should report even if your numbers are **zero**
- Benchmarking and Marketing
- Reporting numbers:
 - 2015
 - International student census: 76%
 - Study Abroad survey: 53%
 - 2016
 - International student census: 96%
 - Study Abroad survey: 76%
- IEP Programs
 - Low response rate

Need Login Credentials?

iieresearch@iie.org



English Proficiency

- Accepted Tests, Waivers and Score Minimums
- Collection of Test Scores via Banner
- ESL Program Registration and Approval



Accepted Tests, Waivers and Score Minimums

- Academic and Student Affairs Handbook
 - Section 3.2.6
 - Section 3.3.2
 - [http://www.usg.edu/academic affairs handbook/](http://www.usg.edu/academic%20affairs%20handbook/)
- USG International Education website
 - [http://www.usg.edu/international education/esl programs/english proficiency requirements](http://www.usg.edu/international%20education/esl%20programs/english%20proficiency%20requirements)
- New SAT scores will updated soon



Collection of Scores via Banner

- A business process manual has been produced to explain how to enter each score, sub-score (can still do crosswalk) and waiver
- I will forward the announcement to SCIE and CISS listservs once the business process manual is shared.
- Will take effect Summer 2017



ESL Program Approval and Registration

- Academic and Student Affairs Handbook requires approval of all ESL programs by the Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer (3.2.6 and 3.3.2)
- A review of ESL programs has not been done since May 2000
- Committee formed (USG and Campus stakeholders)
- English Language Program Registration and Approval forms have been sent to each campus via your VPAA
- Forms due back by 03/01/2017
- Recommendations and/or Registration and Approval letters will be sent to each school
- Registration and Approval letter can be used for your SEVIS re-designation
- Program reviews will be done every three years



Upcoming Workshops

- International Student Recruitment? – Spring 2016
- Partnerships and Agreements?
- Any others?
 - Feedback needed



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27 January 2017

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	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	INSTITUTION	PMT STATUS
1	AYUNINJAM	FUNWI	GEORGIA GWINNET COLLEGE	PD
2	BLAIR	CELE	GEORGIA GWINNET COLLEGE	PD
3	GIACOMINI	CASEY	GEORGIA GWINNET COLLEGE	PD
4	PARK	CHERYL	GEORGIA GWINNET COLLEGE	PD
5	ROBINSON	STAYE	UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORIGIA	ECK IN M. ✓
6	ROSNER	TAMMY	UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORIGIA	ECK IN M. ✓
7	ALBRITTON	DANIELLE	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
8	ASKILDSON	LANCE	KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY	PD X
9	ATENCIO	MARISA	GEORGIA TECH	PD
21	BACUD	DANIELLE	VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD CPB
11	BEAVAN	PATRICIA	GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	PD
12	BRAKHAGE	TANYA	GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	PD
13	CARR	EMILEE	GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	PD
14	CATMUR	ROBIN	UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA	PD ✓
15	COKUSLU	SASHA	CLAYSTON STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
16	CORNISH	YANA	UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA	PD
17	DARLEY	MARIA	AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY	PD MP
18	DOYLE	MARIA	UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA	PD MS
19	EDENFIELD	TIMOTHY	GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD 72
20	GUFFEY	KAREN	GORDON STATE COLLEGE	PD
21	GUO	BAOGANG	DALTON STATE COLLEGE	PD ✓
22	HAVEY	LIZ	GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	PD Lth
23	KASTING-KARAM	KRISTIN	ARMSTRONG STATE UNIVERSITY	PD X
24	LANHAM	JARRIS	GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	PD ok JZ
25	LONG	BRONSON	GEORGIA HIGHLANDS COLLEGE	PD BCJ
26	LYNCH	JAMES	COLLEGE OF COASTAL GEORGIA	PD okJ
27	MCCLELLAN	IRINA	VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD IM
28	MELTZER	SUSAN	GEORGIA GWINNET COLLEGE	PD
29	MELVIN	PAUL	CLAYSTON STATE UNIVERSITY	PD X
30	MERTZ-WEIGEL	DOROTHEE	ARMSTRONG STATE UNIVERSITY	PD X
31	MILLER	MAGGIE	GEORGIA TECH	PD
32	MONDS	KATHALEENA	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD kem
33	MURRAY	STEPHEN	GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD SM
34	NIKOLOV	IVAN	VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD IN
35	NODA	MIMI	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD

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36	OWUSU-ANSAH	ANTHONY	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
37	PACKARD	RYAN	CLAYSTON STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
38	PALUMBO	CARMINE	EAST GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE	PD
39	PAULEZ	LORIE	GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	PD
40	PODOLL	DOUG	GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	PD
41	PRIMO-MCKINLEY	ANDRIANA	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
42	RAMAGE	SUSIE	GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
43	REICHERT	BRETT	GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
44	RODD	JAN	ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
45	SMITH	DANIELLE	GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	PD
46	SPEARS	ERIC	GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
47	STARLING	DAVID	VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
48	VARGIS	SALLI	PERIMETER COLLEGE, GEORGIA STATE UNI	PD
49	WYNN	JASON	GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	PD
50	<i>Nelson</i>	<i>DAVID</i>	<i>Bainbridge State College</i>	
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