## **Asia Council Minutes**

## Asia Council Meeting Minutes January 25, 2013 Georgia College Macon Center

In Attendance:

David Starling-Valdosta State University (vice chair)

Hongjie Wang – Armstrong State University

Victoria V. Dubriel – Fort Valley State

Eric Kendrick – Georgia Perimeter College

Wei Lui – Georgia Gwinnett College

Jonathan Leightner – Georgia Regents University

*Ken Nguyen – Clayton State University* 

Maria Doyle - University of West Georgia

Baogang Guo - Dalton State College

Bronson Long – Georgia Highlands College

Irina McClellan – Valdosta State University

Dwight Call - Georgia College and State University

Flor Bondal – Georgia College and State University

Lily Wang – Middle Georgia State College

Ivan Nikolov – Valdosta State University

Topic	Discussion	Action
Meeting was called to order by v-chair at	N/A	N/A
Previous minutes	Review of minutes from previous meeting	Approved with no corrections
Administrative coordination with European Council	Europe Council study abroad coordinator discussed with the group the study abroad coordination process and financial expenses.  Handouts were provided.	
Study Abroad Programs for 2012-2013		
China Program	Baogang Guo reported that the program went smoothly last summer. So far, 20+ students have signed up for summer 2013. They are limiting the class to 48, 54 including faculty	
Korean Program	The program recruitment started late and there are no dorms available so the program was cancelled	Council members should be notified of program cancellation maybe through listserv

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Philippines Program Progress report on Asian Studies Certificate at various campuses	14 students signed up for summer 2013  - 2 students from VSU were awarded the certificate  - All information is posted in the Asia council website  - VSU offers Japanese and Chinese languages	
"Teaching East Asia:" A Faculty Development Workshop	- faculty assigned were Jonathan Leightner, Baogang Guo, and D. K. Kim – 29 people have signed up so far.	
Financial Update	-There was a motion to transfer money from GPC to VSU account. Motion was approved pending approval of chair. Balance as of January 25 is \$14,300.00 not including the faculty development expenses	
Asia Council Website (David Starling)	- Any info that members want posted on the website needs to be sent to David - Discussion to try a listserv where people can sign up or cancel themselves from the list - Georgia States is still hosting the listserv	– Eric and David will contact them
SCIE (System Council for International Education) Updates	<ul> <li>A proposal to BOR for a new international office at USG, likely a one-person office to advocate for international education, collect, trend and share data</li> <li>The office will be a new structure and support at the system level for fundraising, economic outreach</li> <li>The proposal outlined staffing and budget, possibly money for faculty seminar</li> </ul>	
Liaisons to SCIE Committees	First year new insurance policy use is going reasonably well, students were supported when	

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Asian Events	submitting a claim.  - A 2-tiered pay scheme was introduced. The premium for 26 years old and below is way cheaper than for those 26 years old and above.  - Members discussed the big difference in program cost between age groups.	
Asian Events	Dalton State University on Feb 6-7Independent Chinese film Series March 28, 2013.	
Other Items & Miscellaneous Announcements	- Georgia Regents University is establishing a Confucius Institute	
Adjournment	- Meeting adjourned at 1:47pm	