International Committee Meeting – September 20, 2017

Begin: 2:10 pm

Attendees: Carol Motcyka, Jenny Dillon, Sven Normann, Randell Doty, Hendrik Leusch, Stephan Schmidt, Adam Dzedzy

Minutes from the last meeting were approved by a quorum and order was called by Dr. Motycka.

New meeting times and committee members
The committee will continue meeting at normal times (monthly on a Wednesday from 2:00 – 3:00 pm), but will revisit this once new members have been selected. Dr. Motycka will be discussing new members with Dr. Segal soon.

Sven’s Report
Next year’s IHOT trips
Next year’s International Health Outreach trips are currently being planned and the trip leaders have been chosen.

UCF/UF trip to Peru
UF teamed with the USF College of Medicine to provide healthcare in a village in Yantolo, Peru. This was a very unique experience and a change of pace from previous trips: instead of traveling to individual villages, a centrally-located clinic was set up and villagers came to receive care. Seven different medical disciplines were represented, including pharmacy, pediatrics and surgery.

IPSF events/update
There will be various fundraising events in the coming months. A speaker from FSP (?) will be visiting to give a lecture in the disaster response course and possibly a lecture on humanitarian relief as well. These will be broadcast to the Jacksonville and Orlando campuses.

Randell’s Report
Overview of international events over the summer
SSAP – The four programs in May were all very successful. This marked the first trip for PharmAus and it went very well. It was noted that it is similar to the PharmUK trip, but there is enough nuance to have both trips offered because of the differences in their health care systems.

Global Gator – The attendance for Global Gator was great. Dr. Doty also visited the site in Germany and was very impressed with their work.

Elective task force news
IHOT & SSAP – There has been discussion of how electives should be structure and how many repeatable credits are allowable. No more than 4 credits from IHOT, IHOT leadership or SSAP will be counted towards the 8 elective credits. However, extra hours from these trips can count toward the certificate program.

Certificate program news
The program should be ready by the spring semester and will include credits from IHOT, IHOT leadership and SSAP trips. It is likely that the credits from previous trips could be applied retroactively to help
students towards a certificate. There is discussion about options for those who can’t afford the trips to still become eligible for the certificate. Research possibilities that work with international populations (such as work in the IDPL) could work for this.

**APPE news**

Rotations are currently happening in Germany, and Spain and Malta are still interested in participating as well. Dr. Doty will be visiting the sites in Spain and Malta in mid-October.

The first Thai students came in August of this year and enjoyed their time here as well as the opportunities provided. Students from our college visited Thailand in June and met with these students so the visit was made easier since they already knew people here. Future exchanges will likely be modeled similarly. The timing of the visits will need to be considered in the future to account for specific details that may be problematic, as there was difficulty obtaining housing for the students since they visited during August.

Contacts have been made in India as well and we hope to pursue opportunities in the future, but the interest level is still uncertain.

**International Education Week**

International Education Week will be held during the second week of November and we will be joined by Martin Henman from Trinity College in Dublin. He will be speaking during the regularly schedule seminar time for PTR (12:00 pm on Friday) and will be giving a talk geared towards students at another time.

**Incoming groups**

**Gifu** – The students from Gifu were unable to visit due to Hurricane Irma. Japan may become another SSAP trip available to students.

**University of Helsinki** – Finland is interested in setting up rotations and residency program in the US and will be sending administrators to visit in November.

**End:** 3:00 pm