International Committee Meeting – April 26, 2017

Begin: 2:05 pm

Attendees: Carol Motycka, Randell Doty, Sven Normann, John Gums, Maureen Keller-Wood, Andrea Vargas, Adam Dzedzy

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

Sven’s Report
March trips – There were eight outbound trips between the IPSF and GHO, including two to the Dominican Republic

Next year’s trips – Student coordinators have been selected and will soon be recruiting trip leaders for 2018 trips. Potential trip members will be invited to submit applications soon.

UCF/UF trip to Peru – A UCF College of Medicine faculty member contacted the Orlando campus in the past to invite pharmacy students on a trip to the Dominican Republic. This year, the group will be traveling to Peru, visiting a clinic geared towards residents and health care students on short trips. There is a preference for students from the Orlando campus because of meetings and trainings prior to travel.

Randell’s Report
University of Malta and Navarra – UFIC requested proposals for visits to partnership sites in Pamplona (Navarra) and Malta. Randell Doty will be visiting both sites this fall. While in Malta, he will be discussing an agreement to expand the program to allow their students to visit our campus, as only our students visit their campus currently.

Recent trip to Saudi Arabia – The trip went very well and detailed reports were submitted to the Provost’s Office and the college. There was much interest in the CTSI and POP, with lesser interest in the other areas within our college. However, the Saudi government is less likely to provide funding for online programs, as they would prefer their students are able to study abroad and bring the education back to their country.

Other updates
- Next wave of students from Chiang Mai have been interviewed
- Karen Whalen’s German students will be visiting in May, with others to follow
- Gainesville IPSF chapter will be hosting exchange students, pending approval from UFIC
- Shorty Study Abroad agendas are being finalized
- Talks are ongoing with Dr. Martin Henman (Trinity College, Dublin) to join us for International Education Week in November

End: 2:50 pm