

**International Education /International WTE Committee
January 31, 2008, International House**

In attendance: Dmitri Nizovtsev, Brian Ogawa, Betsy Campbell for Shirley Dinkel, Matt Arterburn, Mary Sheldon, Miguel Gonzalez-Abellas, Alex Glashausser, and Baili Zhang

1. Minutes of Dec. 13 were approved.
2. Du's request for funding was approved based on verification of paper acceptance.
3. Zhang reported that the Study Abroad Fair was just held, that 60 AFS students from across Kansas representing 24 countries were on campus for three days, and that the Mulvane is showing Paraguayan art. Nizovtsev reported new study abroad opportunities in Finland under the Magellan program.
4. Faculty-sponsored student group travel proposals were discussed.

Memcott's International Social Work-Mexico program was approved.

Gamboa's Orchestra Concert in Honduras was approved conditionally, pending clarification and further information on the "cultural interactive element". It was not clear to the committee what kinds of cultural contacts the group will have on the ground with the Honduran people/musicians /students. Several members also pointed out the narratives regarding this piece were fine but no actual details were indicated in the day-by-day itinerary. Other words, the link between narratives and the actual itinerary was missing. (The proposal was subsequently approved via email by the committee after the additional information was provided and reviewed.)

5. Freeman's Spring Break in Barcelona was viewed as more recreational than educational. Therefore, the committee was unable to sanction it as a university study abroad program. The committee also suggested that the WSGA or some other approving venue be explored in terms of gaining university status and / or funding for the program.
6. Desanto's proposal to bring in Dr. Danny Moss was viewed as more of an administrative development project. Therefore it was not recommended for funding out of the faculty travel line. The committee encouraged other funding avenues to be explored involving the offices of the Dean, International Programs and the VPAA.

Respectfully submitted,

Baili Zhang