The University of Louisiana at Monroe

Minutes for the International Education Council

October 3, 2007

Members Present:

E. Bledsoe, C. Clark, V. Hsia, T. Kim, M. Loeb (Chair),

P. Newman, M. Parihar, M. Schmeer, T. Steckline

Members Absent:

S. Nazzal, A. Richardson

Members Excused:

M. Perez, J. Wood, student members

Meeting called to order at 11:00 am in the TRLC 3rd floor of the Library

M. Loeb - The spread sheet for the Study Abroad program is too large for email. Suggestions for distribution were made: copy to CD, link to website.

P. Newman is to contact Jose Cordova about the speakers' bureau

E. Bledsoe - gave update on birth of their baby.

International Student Week

The International Education Week Expo will be held on November 13th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Set-up from 8:00, take-down until 4:30.

M. Loeb -has secured SUB Ballroom A; other dates during the week have been reserved for other events.

Needed are artifacts and flags from countries for display.

Mentioned that study abroad and foreign language should be included.

Need advertisements for the event: signs, press releases, and announcements on screens that show ULM news. M. Loeb contacted L. Harris and has ISA working on slide show for lobby tv's.

Pam Newman offered her mask collection and Mara Loeb will contribute a few as well.

Traditional national clothing is being sought, M. Loeb, T. Steckline – offered mannequins for dresses and a large stand for textiles for display.

M. Schmeer offered a large upholstered display stand – Big Bertha – Dr. Loeb's office has arranged delivery.

C. Clark -- Teacher recognition of international students in classes during the preceding week was suggested.

Another idea mentioned for the event: recipe cards for international cuisine, possibly by students.

Division of tasks:

M. Schmeer – contact travel agency for brochures, etc.

P. Newman – check about insurance, contact Paul Michael Co. representative about helping with event.

T. Steckline – contacting Windows, a bookshop and Foreign Languages department.

C. Clark mentioned about awarding students extra credit points for attending as incentive.

M. Loeb checking into making it a 5 Star event for student organizations.

M. Loeb agreed to secure 10 - 14 tables for the room.

T. Kim will make a poster and a Power Point international photo gallery/slide show to run during the event.

Next meeting set for October 24, 2007 at 11:00 am.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Bledsoe

Secretary, International Education Council

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