

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: October 13th, 2023

Global Learning Committee-

Members present: Sue Mach, Jennifer Bown, Kerrie Hughes, Stefanie Diaz-Zavala, Hayley Stupasky, Jane Forbes, Eden Francis, Kaiwen Amrein, Martha Bailey, Michael Patterson, Laurette Scott

-Introductions were made from all members.

France Trip Recap:

- There were five students and two instructors that went; they had issues with the flight and had to stay overnight in Montreal.
 - Kerri had to use her personal credit card to reserve four hotel rooms and cover transportation expenses. Kerri submitted her reimbursement to the college and it was denied (under \$1000) because airplane mechanical issues were not an accepted justified explanation for reimbursement. The trip insurance was unable to cover that situation as well. Kerri has not yet explored the trip insurance from the college for reimbursement.
 - Kerri might be asking for GLC funds if no other funds are available to reimburse her. GLC committee will run this approval by David P. to see where we can pull funds from before using the foundation money.
- Need to reconsider the logistics of this trip for next year to avoid any similar situations.

Ireland Fall 2023 trip update:

- Planning is going well; 38 participants so far and four classes are running for this trip as well as a community ed class.
- First payment to ISAI was made; flight payment will be due soon. New activities will be added on this trip.
- Kerri has been using the Moodle study abroad shell for this trip and it has been going well. Community members also have access to Moodle.
 - Only challenge with the workshop has been with financial aid because they are unable to pay for the workshop course (\$391 charge). Considering switching the workshop to Eventbrite or Elevate (Navigate EAB).
 - Kerri will connect with Dru on exploring Elevate.
 - Community members have not been as active in Moodle but Kerri has been following up with everyone via spreadsheets and workbooks.

Costa Rica trip updates:

- Currently has six participants confirmed (One backed out); Kerri might have five more prospective participants that will be referred.
 - o Good mix between students, community members, and staff.
- Upcoming info. sessions will be held on Oct. 19th and 23rd.
- Jenn has had a positive experience with EF Tours. Jenn will begin collecting fees in Feb. from students.

• Jenn has referred students to use EF Tour's financial funds for their trip and well as setting up an internal GoFundMe account with them.

Intent to Lead proposals:

Ireland Fall 2024 (James Bryant-Trerise)

- Kerri has requested to add in COMM-140 onto this trip as another course offering tied to the program.
- James needs to add in specific dates onto this trip in the intent.
- Might already be approved by Tara Sprehe but signature is missing.
- *Outcome:* GLC will be approving the ITL form as soon as those changes are made.

France Summer 2024 (Ernesto Hernandez & Jeff McAlpine):

- Feedback: Needs to tie a 4-credit class to the trip.
- France trip 2023 was challenging; not a typical study abroad program per Kerrie's feedback. Students are unable to receive credit for the courses they took at the university in France.
- Lots of concerns related to this trip because of how the provider structures this program; unable to connect it to a CCC course.
- Could be marketed as a community education trip rather than a study abroad from CCC.
- *Further suggestions*: 1) Further investigation on courses that could be tied or created and elaborating more on outcomes. 2) Needs more justification on why Jeff is participating on this trip.

Mexico Summer 2024 (Ernesto Hernandez & Veronica Short):

- Feedback: There is currently no provider for this trip; Ernesto expressed wanting to selfguide the trip.
- Unable to tie it to any outcomes or course at the moment; suggestion would be to create a foreign language cultural immersion course (being careful of how this would affect degree reqs.)- Look at PCC as an example for similar courses that could be created that would fulfill gen. eds.
- *Further suggestions:* 1) Further investigation on courses that would be tied or a course that could be created (possible 1 cr. course). 2) Working with a provider or creating a detailed list of places and activities that will be part of the trip (itinerary).

Foundations funds update:

- GLC funds criteria were signed by Sue Mach and David Plotkin in 2021.
 - Sue and David will be able to determine whether they can reimburse Kerri on those accidental expenses from the France Trip.
- GLC has a balance of \$10,000 at the moment. About \$1,200-1,700 is pulled in each year to contribute to overall funds available.

CIBER grant recap and goal setting:

- Sue worked on creating five goals for the CIBER grant with Sue Goff and David Plotkin.
 - 1) Faculty Training in the Standards of Good Practice for Education Abroad
 - a. Lead faculty should either attend a workshop or read the handbooks before the trip.
 - b. Good recommendation would be to include the handbooks as part of the Intent to Lead form.
 - 2) Accountability for Study Abroad Curriculum Dev. and Implementation
 - 3) Fundraising and Marketing
 - a. Have concrete fundraising goals to increase funds by at least 50%
 - b. Brainstorm fundraising activities that have fees attached that could go towards our overall funding pot (Alumni program/outreach).
 - 4) Timely, transparent, and equitable distribution of funds
 - a. Being more equitable on helping students with finding funds. (CCC Foundations Scholarships/Gilman Scholarship)
 - b. Working with the foundation on creating scholarship opportunities.
 - 5) Create a part-time Study Abroad Coordinator position.
 - a. David P. will explore the option of using Enterprise funds to create/propose this position.
 - b. GLC committee would need to create a list of roles/responsibilities for this position if proposal is accepted.

Next meeting: Oct. 27th, 2023