

The University of Louisiana at Monroe

Minutes for the International Education Council

September 12, 2007

Members Present: E. Bledsoe, C. Clark, V. Hsia, T. Kim, M. Loeb (Chair),
S. Nazzal, M. Perez, A. Richardson, T. Steckline

Guest Member: K. Bledsoe

Members Absent: P. Newman, M. Schmeer

Members Excused: J. Wood, student members

Welcome

International Education Council 11:00 am TRLC 3rd floor library
James Wood- scheduling conflict- will be excused from meeting

Dr. Loeb- Dr. Steckline- minutes approved

Old business- goals assignments

Goal 2 – Tae Kim

Goal 3- Perez, Tae Kim

Database of study abroad programs- Mara Loeb

Spreadsheet sent to dept. heads about study abroad- diversity points

Internships in business – Perez

Summer- La Biomedical Research Program – V. Hsia - \$7,000 available

Websites moved to scholarship website, request for links needs to be made

Admission to Pharm D- transcript must be U.S.

Directory for speakers bureau- find the old- Mara Loeb

Goal 1 Student surveys- compiled by M. Loeb

-next survey should be online

Goal 1- Manish

Campus Bank/ Housing – Kim Bledsoe brought up issues for intl. students from the orientation week (example)–no toilet paper or shower curtains available for Eurasian students that were switched last minute, the on campus bank refuses to allow intl students to open an account without a social security number

Dr. Hsia – contact with Chinese @ CenturyTel

S. Nazzal – questioning relationship with foreign universities- what result?
Limited number of waivers

Boren scholarship deadline: November 30.
Mostly foreign language students could apply because of the requirements

New Business

Housing during holidays? Can we send out an email asking if students would like a host family to stay with over the break if they have no place to go?

Holiday meals? Will campus ministries work together to put on a Big Thanksgiving/
Winter break feast? Collaboration

Intl welcome party invite by M. Loeb

Intl student awareness week: November 12-17 week

Food or display of items, flags – Kim Bledsoe

Next meeting set for October 3rd

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 12:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Bledsoe

Secretary, International Education Council

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