

INSTRUCTIONALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES (IRA) BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 18, 2013 1:00-3:00 PM BMU 205

MINUTES

Members Present: Michael Barrett, Taylor Herren, Marlene Romero, Jimmy Draper, Marc Langston, Hyunjung Kim, Steffen Mehl

Members Absent: Daniel Schindler

Staff Present: Arno Rethans, Jeni Kitchell, Kimberly Scott, Stephen Cummins, Jennifer Mays

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: Kasey DeAtley, Mike Rehg, Mike Thorpe, Lisa Root, Stacie Corona

- I. Call to Order
 - a. The Chair, Michael Barrett, called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - a. October 4, 2013
 - i. A motion was made to approve the minutes: 7-0-0 MSC
- III. New Business
 - a. Discussion Items
 - i. AGR: New Program Proposal: Academic Quadrathlon (AQ)
 1. Kasey DeAtley presented. AQ competition held at the local, regional and national levels and sponsored in part by the American Society of Animal Science. Competition is made up of four events: laboratory practicum, written exam, oral presentation and quiz bowl. Each event tests the student's animal science knowledge gained in their undergraduate program as well as enables students to work as a team in timed setting against other universities. Attended regionals last June, and was the first team not from a Land-Grant institution.
 - b. Action Items
 - i. AGR: New Program Proposal: Discussion Meet Competition – vote to approve as certified IRA Program
 1. A motion was made to approve the Request for IRA Program Certification: 6-0-1 MSC
 - ii. HFA: Opera IRA Program ended – vote to amend HFA allocation
 1. A motion was made to return \$1000 from HFA's baseline allocation: 7-0-0 MSC
 2. IRA Board wishes to formalize the practice of altering a college's baseline allocation by the amount typically allocated to the program by the college. This will be the board's general practice.
- IV. Old Business

a. Discussion Items

i. Alcohol and Drug Policy contained within IRA Student Code of Conduct

1. Mike Rehg (Prior Year Chair of FASP), Mike Thorpe (Risk Management) and Lisa Root (Student Judicial Affairs) attended to further discuss alcohol-related constraints found in the IRA Student Code of Conduct.
2. Discussion included changes in the IRA Student Code of Conduct drafted last summer by FASP, faculty's precarious situation while traveling with students and expected responsibilities/oversight and the view that this is an unenforceable policy, faculty's unwillingness to be advisors because they don't want the responsibility, the need for consistency and a comprehensive resolution of this for the University, liability concerns, traveling leave and arrival times, designated "professional time" during trips, behavior/conduct vs. drinking alcohol, proactive vs. reactive policies, and personal responsibility.
3. Arno Rethans spoke with Karla Zimmerlee in the President's Office who explained that there have been five alcohol-related problems within the last three years. Concern over students representing the University and liability concerns. He contacted the VPSA office, and learned that Student Life and the Associated Students have a form their students fill out for travel. Athletics does as well.
4. There is no off-campus alcohol policy so what can we base this on? For University clubs that have a policy in place, if students violate the policy, it can be adjudicated through Judicial Affairs processes. Does Title V have enough in it to cover us? Or do we need something more?
5. Staff to follow up with the president's office, as well as with Mike Rehg and FASP, to pursue a comprehensive approach.

b. Action Items

V. Announcements

- a. Next IRA Meeting will be November 1, 2013
- b. In order to expedite the awarding of the one-time funding requests sent Oct 9, staff will route the requests via email to the board rather than having each presented. Any questions can be addressed via email as well.

VI. Adjournment

- a. The Chair, Michael Barrett, adjourned the meeting at 2:20 pm