COMMISSION ON OUTREACH AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
Minutes
February 5, 2009
3:30-4:30 p.m.
325 Burruss Hall

Attendance: Ray Ali, Jan Helge Bøhn, Sarah Burkett, Jeri Childers, Susan Clark, S.K. De Datta, John Dooley, Billie Jean Elmer (via phone), Devi Gnyawali, William Greenberg, Lance Matheson, Thomas Olson (sub for Bob Smith), Gerhardt Schurig, Scott Tate, Chris Thomas, Jane Wemhoener, Leah Wickham, Melissa Yates

Absence: Terry Clements, Susan Felker, A.L. (Tom) Hammett, Gary Long, Mark McCann, Kevin Pelzer, Ted Settle, Bob Smith, Max Stephenson

1. Welcome and Introductions
Jane Wemhoener welcomed everyone. Self-introductions were made.

2. Agenda Approval
The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes, December 11, 2008
Jane announced that the December 11, 2008 Minutes were approved electronically and have been forwarded to University Council for approval.

4. Chairman’s Report
The University Council meeting was brief; the group had two (2) agenda items. The first was a second reading of compensation for Administrative/Professional (A/P) Faculty when they teach. The second item was a first reading of the Grievance Procedure for A/P Faculty.

At the Outreach Council meeting, Pat Hyer and John Browder presented on the electronic e-FARS and reporting information. Ted Settle discussed Entrepreneurship Issues; Jeri Childers spoke on the Engagement Academy; there was not an update on the General Assembly items. John Dooley spoke on Outreach NOW 2009, the Economic Stimulus Package and the Land Grant Scholarship that Jerry Niles and family set up for College of Liberal Arts and Human Science students based on money he received when he retired.

Jane announced that the April 9, 2009 COIA meeting coincides with Passover, and if anyone desired, we could shift the meeting. No one asked to shift the meeting; therefore it will remain as April 9, 2009.

Jane announced that we had two (2) nominations for the Alumni Award for Outreach Excellence in the individual category and two (2) nominations for the Alumni Award for Outreach Excellence in the team category. The committee that comprised of Sara Burkett, Jeri Childers, Susan Clark, Terry Clements and Kim Rhodes would meet February 24, 2009.

Jane also announced that Kim O’Rourke has requested the names of the Chair and Vice-Chair for COIA and for UCIA by April 1, 2009. She called for volunteers to serve on the selection committee. The committee to select the Chair and Vice-Chair will consist of the following members: Jan Helge Bøhn, Bill Greenberg, and Leah Wickham. John indicated he would select the members for the UCIA. Discussion concerning the Chair and Vice-Chair for COIA should occur at the March 5, 2009 meeting.
5. **Update on Engaged Scholarship Document**
   Jane sent out another draft of the *Engaged Scholarship* document (attached). She indicated there was 1 reference missing on page 5 and welcomed further comments. The committee discussed in great length the definition and description on page 2 and what engaged scholarship actually means. John charged the college representatives to bring an example that they would think represents engaged scholarship for discussion at the March 5, 2009 meeting.

6. **Outreach NOW 2009**
   John announced that Outreach NOW 2009 will be held on September 14, 2009 and that S.K. has invited the Nobel Peace Prize Laureate to be a guest speaker at the program. He has not accepted at this time.

7. **Reports**
   
a. **Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE)**
   Ray Ali spoke about the e-FARS reports and that performance evaluation discussions will continue.

b. **University Council on International Affairs (UCIA)**
   Lance Matheson announced that there is a decrease in Study Abroad for both fall and spring. He said that Matt McMullen is working on getting information out. There are many updates on the website and that the Graduate Certification for International Studies has some changes. A meeting is in process of being scheduled to discuss the certification process and the certain amount of proficiencies on the students’ diplomas.

8. **Comments/Announcements, etc. from the Board Members**
   Leah Wickham announced that March 4, 2009 kicks off Women’s Month activities. There is a presentation of *Cargo: Innocence Lost*, an expose detailing sex trafficking of women and children in the United States.

   **Future Meeting Dates**
   March 5, 2009-**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING DATE**
   April 9, 2009
   May 14, 2009

   Respectfully submitted,

   Kimberly Rhodes
   Recording Secretary