

# System Council on International Education - Meeting Agenda

Friday, 21 April 2000, 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM  
President's Dining Room, Lower Level, Library Building  
Macon State University

The meeting of the System Council for International Education took place on Friday, April 21, 2000, at Macon State College. The Council consists of 34 representatives appointed by the presidents of each USG institution, joined by the chairs of the World Regional Councils and other special committees. Richard C. Sutton, the System's Director of International Programs and Services, chaired the meeting.

Present: Joseph Adams (AASU), Dwight Call (GC&SU), Harvey Charles (GIT), James Cook (FLD), Sidney Davis (SPSU), Gaye Elder (ABAC), Lyn Fidelli (Americas Council), Sherry Foster (USG), Chaudron Gille (GAN), Tracy Harrington (VSU), John Hicks (GSU), Brenda Hodges-Tiller (ALB), Dorothy Joiner (WGC), Watson Holloway (BRK), Thomas Keene (KSU), Jennifer Lund (USG), Neal McCrillis (CSU), Carl McDonald (SGC), Gerald McIntosh (FVS),

Sid Davis gave the SCIE's Benchmarking Committee's report and discussed the questionnaire that had been sent out by email. There were several questions regarding how to respond; several thought it would be beneficial if they could see how others were responding to the questionnaire. Though no institution likes to be compared to another, it is believed that the promotion of internationalization will benefit from the Benchmarking Index. The committee was commended on the work they have done.

#### V. **Budget Issues**

Global Partnerships: Discussion ensued regarding a deadline for the FY2000-2001 competition. The possibility of a summer deadline was raised, enabling a full academic year to carry out the project. However, the majority of the Council was concerned that the quality of proposals would suffer with so many faculty gone during the summer. September 15<sup>th</sup> was chosen as the deadline; award announcements to be made mid October. Questions were raised regarding the review process of the proposals. The point system was explained and the process defined. Review Committee members recuse themselves from their own institution's proposals. It was explained that only new proposals would be funded from this year's Global Partnership competition; funding for continuing previous projects has a different source of funding.

Title VI Grant Proposal: The Council was advised that the proposal that had been submitted had been turned down [the US Dept. of Education ruled that the system is not a consortium]. A new proposal will be submitted to NSEP.

#### **Foreign Language and Technology Initiative**

The Council was informed that Japanese and other less commonly taught languages will be on-line, available, and relatively easy to tap into, whereas the upper-division French program is specifically for four

enable them to travel to Europe to do research. This is relatively easy grant money for faculty, and the only real stipulation is to focus on the European Union, not European studies. There are various EU scholars who are available to visit USG campuses; they have been to several already. A USG Desktop Initiative grant was received to develop EU on-line courses. A discussion ensued regarding the Web-based EU certificate and which institutions would carry it.

**USG Degrees, Majors, Minors, Certificates in International Fields**

Although the system does track degrees and majors, it does not track minors or certificates in international fields. Therefore, the SCIE was instructed to let the OIE know when there are minors or certificates not currently listed on the Degree handout. CIP (Classifications of Instructional Programs) codes are a national list and assigned by the Academic VP or registrar of each institution. May 1

Continued funding for a second three year cycle will be received from the AIFS Foundation. The Coca-Cola Foundation has not responded to the May 99 USG proposal for continued funding.

