

Santa Monica College Global Citizenship Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: November 16, 2023, 12:45pm – 2:00pm

Location: Student Services Building S222

Chair: Delphine Broccard, Chair

Attendees: Delphine Broccard, Denise Kinsella, Heather Bennett, Pete Morris, Brandon Reilly, Taneka Washington, Lauren Movius, Catherine Weir, Tracie Hunter.

I. Call to Order: 12:49pm.

II. Public Comments and Announcements

- a. Denise clarified that the study abroad programs fall under the purview of senior staff to decide if the recommendations the committee sends will be approved or not.

III. Approval of Minutes: October 19, 2023

Motion to approve Brandon Reilly. Second: Denise Kinsella. Approved: Delphine Broccard, Heather Bennett, Taneka Washington, Pete Morris, Tracie Hunter. Abstain, Lauren Movius, Catherine Weir.

IV. Standing Business

- a. Question of the day: Any Thanksgiving plan or tradition that you would like to share.
- b. Study Abroad Proposals

The committee first discussed the responses from the survey students responded to regarding the South Africa trip's cancellation and main reason we did not meet goal was due to financial hardship. We will continue to revamp financial aid page as well as think of other ways to make the trips more affordable such as including foundations department and finding scholarship resources.

Delphine shared a chart of all the proposals received and the committee went over the 2024-2025 academic year proposals. The faculty with the top destinations that are being considered will be contacted and asked to start an itinerary with estimated costs for the committee to review at the first meeting in spring semester. The destinations that will be reviewed are Humboldt County, Japan, Ireland, West Africa, Polynesia, and Thailand.

c. Plus One Policy

The feedback from the executive meeting at their last meeting was discussed, one being that the use of plural was concerning. More edits will be made to the policy and the next step will be to present it to the Board of Trustees and Dr. Jeffrey.

d. GC Theme 2024-2026

Delphine shared the survey she created to compile answers from students and faculty to introduce the new theme to the SMC community. Committee members will respond to the survey then will share survey with their own departments.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Brandon Reilly, Catherine Weir. Approved: Delphine Broccard, Pete Morris, Heather Bennett, Taneka Washington, Lauren Movius, Denise Kinsella, Tracie Hunter. 2:06pm

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Next scheduled meeting: Thursday, November 30, 2023.