

Idaho State University  
**Cultural Affairs Council**  
Unofficial Minutes – Discussion Notes only

Friday, November 2, 2007

9:00 a.m.

First Security Conference Room,  
Business Administration Building

In Attendance: Bhushan, Freudenthal, Manopoulos (Chair)  
Excused: Anderson, Kearns, Livingston Friedley  
Absent: Herrman, Ray, Richards  
Non-voting: Wallace (Recording Secretary)

**1. Preliminaries**

Only three members were present; five were needed to make a quorum.

**2. By-laws**

Manopoulos asked members to look over the Council's Bylaws and come up with suggestions for possible changes, if needed, for the next meeting. There are currently no guidelines for grant proposals anywhere that anyone can find for reference. Wallace relayed information from the Faculty Senate Advisory Council that all appointees for Council seats are to come through Faculty Senators, not from Deans or College elections. The Senate has the final say as to who is appointed to sit on its Councils.

**3. CAC Volunteer needed for Campus Planning Council meeting on November 14th**

Manopoulos asked for a volunteer to represent the Cultural Affairs Council at the next Campus Planning Council Meeting on November 14 at 11:00 in the Faculty Senate Conference Room, REND 301. There are some proposals for permanent Native American artwork under consideration, and a CAC representative should attend the meeting. Bhushan volunteered, but reminded members that he will be out of the country from November 28<sup>th</sup> until December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**4. Official acceptance of the Darwin Day Conference proposal and Minutes from October**

Both were approved via the email ballot, so the Minutes will reflect the email approval date.

There is one mini-grant for Dr. Robert Hoover in the Business Department that has not been officially approved, but the money had already been set aside by Melanie, the previous CAC Chair. The grant is helping sponsor a speaker from Spain, Isidoro Hodara. Manopoulos will check the actual terms of the agreement, but has reassured Dr. Hoover that CAC will help fund the event.

**5. New grant proposals for consideration:**

a. From Sharon Sieber, Dept. of Foreign Languages:

**Lecture by Larissa Lai**, in April 2008

This particular event is more flexible than the others; the date is not set in stone. Manopoulos will check to see if it can be postponed until next fall, because many events tend to be scheduled in March and April.

b. From John Masserini, Dept. of Music:

**Performance by violist Gregory Faulkenstein**, March 8, 2008

Dr. Masserini's proposal includes \$500 for an honorarium for Mark Neiwirth, who is an ISU employee. The Music Department is chipping in \$500 to help sponsor the event, but it is unclear

who specifically is paying Neiwirth's honorarium. The CAC cannot pay any money to ISU faculty. Manopoulos will ask Dr. Masserini to re-work and re-submit his proposal. She will also inform Dr. Masserini that since admission will be charged for the event, some of the proceeds are supposed to come back to the Council. She will also check with Rudy Kovacs, the out-going CAC Chair, how much the Council is entitled to from the proceeds of events it sponsors.

c. From Kevin Marsh, Department of History:

**Co-sponsoring (with Boise State University) of the 2008 meeting of the American Society for Environmental History Conference** in Boise, March 12-13, 2008

This conference proposal is quite complex and rather prestigious, with several different events and sponsors. It would behoove ISU to help out with funding, and it fits in well with CAC's purview.

Catherine will make copies of the proposals and hand deliver them to each Council member well before the next meeting. Members are to review the proposals and be ready to discuss and vote on the proposals.

Bhushan suggested contacting the Idaho State Journal and ISU's Public Relations office to help publicize sponsored events. There was some discussion of ideas for possible future speakers and events. Bhushan will follow up with a couple of possible speakers he is aware of that might be interested in coming to ISU. Manopoulos mentioned that the Faculty Senate wants each Council to write up an Annual Report summarizing its projects and progress. This would be a good forum for helping get the word out as to what the Council does and what types of events helps sponsor. The Council's webpage on the Faculty Senate website would also be a good way to help advertise events.

6. **Adjournment:** 9:55 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for **9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 16, 2007**. Members are encouraged to attend if at all possible because the proposals need to be decided and voted upon.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Approved by Cultural Affairs Council: November 29, 2007 (by email ballot)  
Approved by Faculty Senate: December 3, 2007