

Institute of American Indian Arts
Virtual President's Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 7, 2020
(11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

Minutes

Present:	Dr. Robert Martin	Elizabeth Lucero	Leslie Romero
	Angie Brown	Jason Ordaz	Roanna Shebala
	Aimee Balthazar	Jonathon Breaker	Robert Orozco
	Anita Gavin	Madge Duus	Russel Stolins
	Anthony Coca	Mary Silentwalker	Ryan Flahive
	Delight Talawepi	Matthew Eaton	Sara Quimby
	Elissa Wheeler	Peter Romero	Tatiana Lomahaftewa-Singer

1. Opening

Anita Gavin provided the opening.

2. Opening Positive Note

Russel Stolins assisted a student who was frustrated with her network connectivity and threatened to drop-out of school. He was able to resolve her issue, and she completed her course work and presentation.

3. Approve Meeting Minutes–September 10, 2020, President's Advisory Council Meeting

Dr. Martin presented a motion to approve the September 10, 2020, President's Advisory Council minutes. Matthew Eaton moved to approve, and Russell Stollins seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Elizabeth Lucero abstained. Motion carried

4. Next Town Hall Meeting for Faculty and Staff

The last Faculty and Staff Town Hall meeting took place on September 30; the next meeting will be for Students on October 19. The next Staff and Faculty meeting will on October 28.

5. COVID-19 Testing

The New Mexico Department of Health will provide COVID-19 testing from 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm on Wednesdays, beginning October 7, in the Performing Arts and Fitness Center Gymnasium. The scheduling sequence for the four assigned groups will be as follows.

- Off-campus students attending in-person classes on campus – October 7, 1:00 pm
- On-campus resident students – October 14, 1:00 pm
- Staff and Faculty (surnames ending in A-M) – October 21, 1:00 pm
- Staff and Faculty (surnames ending N-Z) – October 28, 1:00 pm

6. Open House

Since the campus is closed to visitors, it will be impossible to schedule a regular open house. Dr. Martin asked for recommendations about planning a virtual open house. The group agreed to hold a virtual open house during the second week of November. Eric Davis will organize the open house planning committee to coordinate the virtual event to include live streaming and pre-recorded programming.

7. ATD Update

Anita Gavin shared the projects that ATD is working on for 2020-2021. The first project is a Math and English Developmental Pilot Program. Five students who test into the developmental courses will be mainstreamed into college-level classes with additional tutoring support. The second priority is a redesign of the academic advising program. Faculty members will chair the redesign committee and work on the following tasks.

- Review and improve advising via a holistic approach.
- Improve and streamline online degree audit.
- Train the registrar and all advisors on the new degree audit
- Form an advising committee to recommend and implement further improvements.
- Train faculty advisors on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Title IX,
- Work on a campus-wide focus on attendance and build upon the IAIA Mentorship Program

There will be a Pathways base camp meeting on October 22 to move forward on the projects.

8. Holiday Market

This year Institutional Advancement will host a virtual Holiday Market. Information will be gathered from each artist to create a directory to allow shoppers to purchase items online from the artist's website. For social distancing purposes, all purchases will take place online. Dr. Martin suggested using Jonathan Beaker to organize a continuing education workshop to help artists create their websites.

9. Library Update

E-book usage has increased by 151%. The library is working with a vendor to analyze its collection. They are now able to scan eBooks and various publications; they also can create MP3 audio files.

Sara Quimby welcomed Avi Grundner, the new Public and Technical Services Librarian. Ms. Grundner is a recent UBC graduate and holds a dual master's in Library Science.

10. Enrollment Report

There are 480 FTE students, a 5% decrease from last year; the total headcount is 801. Since the pandemic, online enrollment has increased from 26 last year to 189 this year. Admissions are reviewing Spring and Fall 21 applications and preparing acceptance letters.

There are no in-person campus tours. Virtual campus tours are available on the website. Students can schedule one-on-one sessions with Warrior Brown through Zoom or ask questions through the chat system. They also are testing whether live virtual tours are possible via Zoom technology.

11. IAIA Stores Update

The Museum shop has been open for three weeks, with 220 walk-ins and 280 online bookings thru December. They have sold over 1,000 books, and customers are requesting publications from local artists and IAIA alumni. The IAIA Pendleton Blanket has arrived and is available for sale in the store and will also be online.

The Campus bookstore will accept book returns at the end of October from students in the eight-week accelerated courses. They can mail their books or drop them off at the store.

12. Announcements

- The deadline for submitting any FY20 invoices is Friday, October 16.
- Title IX online training for staff must be complete by October 21.
- Sara Quimby, faculty, and staff will meet in the dance circle each Tuesday and Thursday for stretching and movement meditations.
- The IAIA Counseling Team will host an IAIA Expressive Arts Community Group, Thursday, September 9, at 4:00 pm, open to all students, faculty, and staff.
- Student housing is looking for students interested in becoming a Resident Advisor to replace the two advisors who will graduate.

13. Closing Positive Note

IAIA received Transformative Response grant for \$150,000 from the American Indian College. The purpose is to fund innovative practices that support persistence and completion rates during the pandemic, including funding a 24/7 online IT help desk to support students and a technical support position for faculty.

Adjourned 12:24 pm