

# **Institute of American Indian Arts**

## **Hybrid Advisory Council Meeting Wednesday, September 20, 2023 (11:00– 12:00 PM) Notes**

Nena Martinez Anaya, Aimee Balthazar, Anthony Coca, Ryan Flahive, Anita Gavin, Vincent Kaniatobe, Nicole Lawe, Elizabeth Lucero, Nuttaphol Ma, Danielle Murzynsky-Obiekwe, Sara Quimby, Arista Slater-Sandoval, Russel Stolins, Elissa Wheeler, Dr. Martin, Renee White

1. **Opening** Nuttaphol Ma

2. **Opening Positive Note**

Nena Martinez Anaya reported that the National Voter Registration event with the SF Indigenous Center had a very good turnout.

3. **Approve Meeting Notes – May 24, 2023, President's Advisory Council Notes**

Dr. Martin requested consideration for approval of the May 24, 2023, President's Advisory Council Notes. Aimee Balthazar moved to approve the notes, Ryan Flahive seconded. Nena Martinez Anaya, Nicole Lawe, Nuttaphol Ma, and Arista Slater Sandoval abstained. The notes were approved.

4. **Board of Trustees Meetings** - Dr. Martin

Dr. Martin reported on the 2024 FY budget resolution and the advice that Office of Management and Budget (OMB) gave to IAIA regarding the submittal of the budget. The budget future is unclear, as the Federal Government could have a shutdown. Discretionary programs might have as much as an 8% cut. IAIA has built up reserves to deal with major cuts.

Aimee reminded the Advisory Council that IAIA is forward funded and will not experience the closure if the government does shut down.

Dr. Martin reported that the Board of Trustees approved the \$352,801 Gift Resolution and a Resolution for a proposed change to the Investment Policy at the August Board meeting. The Temporarily Restricted Funds Proposal would change the allocations of the U.S. Core Fixed Income maximum amount from 60% to 80% and the Cash amount from 10% minimum to 0% minimum.

Dr. Martin went over the planned itinerary for the upcoming November Board meeting in DC in 2023.

He also reported that Carrie Billie is no longer the AIHEC President and CEO.

5. **Open House Update** – Nicole Lawe

Nicole Lawe reported on the various advertising that Communications did for the upcoming Open House and went over parking recommendations for Faculty and staff. It looks like there will be a great turnout.

There will be a dedication for the Robert Harcourt Memorial and Outdoor Classroom Space on the pathway to the Hogan at 2:00 p.m. Dr. Martin encouraged staff to attend.

**6. Faculty Council Update – Arista Slater-Sandoval**

Dr. Martin welcomed Arista to her first President's Advisory Council meeting as the new Faculty Council Chair. Arista reported that the Faculty Council is discussing Faculty Handbook updates and general governing committee updates. She is also working on organizing and streamlining communications for the Faculty Council by creating a drive with central access to documents.

Dr. Martin reminded us that the Academic Dean position is still open. The Academic Dean is a key position for IAIA and needs to be filled.

\*Please see the **President's Advisory Council – Faculty Council chair report 9/20/23** at the end of the notes.

**7. Staff Council Update – Teresa Quintana**

The Executive Staff Council is working on the final budget for the Council and then they will try to get Staff Council elections underway.

**8. Student Services Updates – Nena Martinez Anaya**

Nena reminded staff to bring their insurance cards for the vaccination clinic at the Performing Arts and Fitness Center during the Open House. Student Housing is fully occupied, and there are numerous student activities, including seventeen student clubs this year, Karaoke Camp, fireside storytelling, and preparations for students involved and participating in the AIHEC Student Conference in March in Minneapolis.

On Saturday, October 7, there will be a PowWow at the Dance Circle. Monday, October 9, is Indigenous Peoples Day with a Community Gathering scheduled in the Gymnasium.

Associated Student Government has a full complement of officers and meets on Mondays at noon and on Fridays as a student group.

The scholarship program has been used for retention, but IAIA would like to use it for recruitment also. Talented students go places where they are offered scholarships in advance.

**9. Data Minute – Anita Gavin**

"In 23FA there were 166 new students and re-admits to IAIA. 71 students were from NM, What state had the second highest number of new students and readmits?" The correct answer is Oklahoma, Nicole Lawe, Ryan Flahive, Sara Quimby, and Vincent Kaniatobe all won gift cards.

**10. Institutional Research & Accreditation Update – Anita Gavin**

The HLC Assurance Argument has been submitted to the IAIA Consultant, Susan Murphy, for review. Mary Beth Worley is collecting evidence and will have a draft for Dr. Martin at the end of this month. Be sure to contact Mary Beth when she asks you for Evidence for each of the Criteria, which will be crucial in developing the Assurance Argument.

The student information system update went smoothly, Census Reports and IPEDS are due on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the month, and AIHEC is redesigning its submission process.

**11. Library Update – Sara Quimby**

Sara Quimby reported that the gate count at the library has doubled in the last year. The eBooks collection has increased by 70,000 including 6 databases. The library has several partnerships, including the Performing Arts Program, the Research Center, and the MFA Cultural Administration Program.

The library will be submitting a Strategic Funding Request to develop a multiuse space for inter-literacy use in the former Archives Room. The Community could also use this space for events.

The GOBond funds for libraries are being spent on technology.

**12. Announcements**

Ryan Flahive announced that the Indigenizing Archival Training, a pilot project out of DC, sponsored by Mellon, will have thirty archivists working on campus this weekend during the Open House. There will be a welcome dinner at the Hogan at 6:00 tonight.

Melanie Kirby and Teresa Quintana gave some updates and announcements on the Land Grant Program. They encourage everyone to get out for a sense of the weather and check out the gardens. If you go to Google Earth and put in the IAIA address, you can see an aerial view near the campus entrance of the Thunderbird and the 50/60 design by Paul Quintana.

The summer work-study crew consisted of 8 students, and six have stayed for this semester. Teresa and Melanie co-taught the Summer Bridge Libs 101 class.

They announced that IAIA has a Cooperative Agreement contract with the USDA Tribal Relations offices to establish pollinator habitats and a manual to share with tribal colleges.

There is a tree planting event coming up soon, work on the nature trail loop has been completed, a honey harvest is coming up, and the Land Grant office has requested electricity for the greenhouse to run the pond, an aquaponics system, the extractor, wax melting, and essential oil distillery equipment.

They will be attending the FALCON conference in Denver next month and would like to take three students to participate in panel discussions.

Vincent Kaniatobe updated the Advisory Council on the boiler issue in the Residence Halls. Twelve heat pumps were on backorder and will be installed this week.

Other facilities updates include the following: the Foundry gas lines are operational, the CLE Building will have the three existing heating and cooling units replaced. In the Science and Tech building, pre-prep work on the humidity control project is ongoing. The Solar project at the Performing Arts and Fitness Center is complete. The Mixed-use housing facility is moving ahead nicely, the boiler in the residence hall is being replaced on an emergency basis and was delivered yesterday to campus.

Russel Stolins reported that Online Learning will be moving to an office on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the CLE.

**13. Closing Positive Note**

Several people acknowledged that the boiler for the residence hall is here and going to be installed and that will make many students happy.



## President's Advisory Council – Faculty Council chair report 9/20/23

The Faculty Council met during In-service week on August 7, 2023, to determine new faculty council governing positions. Arista Slater-Sandoval will serve as chair, Kahlil Hudson will serve as vice chair and Jonah Winn-Lenetsky will serve as Secretary.

The faculty council met on September 7, 2023, to discuss handbook updates and general governing committee updates. The following year initiatives for my tenure as chair arose:

1. Tenure initiative
  - a. Organize and streamline communications for faculty council and governing committees.
    - i. Centralize access to information and documents pertaining to the faculty council using One Drive and a private faculty council canvas hub.
    - ii. Update basic bureaucratic processes pertaining to paperwork logistics.
      1. Example: Identify Word document forms that can be updated to Wufoo forms or create PDFs that can be edited.
  - b. Faculty Handbook updates.
    - i. Requesting funding to hire experienced legal help with handbook organization, and structure and to bring forward contradictory information in the handbook.
    - ii. Add provost and MFA low residency directors' Roles and Responsibilities to the handbook.
    - iii. Create and share with the faculty council a living document of policy updates to be addressed annually.

- Written by Arista Slater-Sandoval 9/18/23