Institute of American Indian Arts

President’s Advisory Council Meeting
LKN Welcome Center – Boardroom
Tuesday, October 16, 2018
(3:00 pm – 4:00 pm)
Meeting Minutes

Present: Dr. Robert Martin
Angie Brown
Aimee Balthazar
Anita Gavin
Anthony Coca
David Beams
Delight Talawepi
Eileen Berry
Elizabeth Lucero
Heidi Brandow
Jonathon Breaker
Leslie Romero
Mary Silentwalker
Peter Romano
Ryan Flahive
Stephanie Martinez
Tatiana Lomahaftewa Singer

Absent: Brian Fleetwood

1. Opening – Mary Silentwalker
   Mary Silentwalker provided the opening.

2. Opening, Positive Note
   Delight Talawepi announced that November 16th will be IAIA night at Meow Wolf with free
   admission for faculty, staff and students and a 50% reduction for IAIA guests.

3. Approve Meeting Minutes
   Dr. Martin requested a motion to approve the September 19, 2018, President's Advisory
   Council minutes. Mary Silentwalker moved to approve, and Aimee Balthazar seconded the
   motion to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

4. AIHEC Meeting – Dr. Martin
   Dr. Martin shared discussions from the Fall AIHEC meeting in Hartford Connecticut
   beginning with the election of officers. They reelected all the present officers, and reelected
   Dr. Martin as Chair of the Student Activities Committee where he will continue to serve on the
   Executive Committee. The next item discussed was Title III – F, which provides mandatory
   appropriations to the Tribal Colleges and Universities and other Minority - Serving Institutions
   (MSI)s through 2019. There is concern this funding will be eliminated at the end of 2019 and
will adversely impact these institutions. AIHEC and other MSIs are lobbying to retain this funding.

IAIA will host the AIHEC Basketball tournament in 2020 and assistance will be needed to coordinate the tournament. IAIA also will host the AIHEC Summer President’s meeting in June or July, providing an opportunity to showcase the campus and the museum.

5. **Open House November 8, 2018** – Dr. Martin and Jason Ordaz

The open house features various exhibitions and demonstrations throughout the campus. Jason Ordaz shared some of the events such as; campus tours, screenings of 360° spherical films in the Digital Dome, Archery demonstrations, Student Readings in the Lloyd Kiva New Welcome Center and photographs taken in a Polaroid Photo Booth for the first 50 participants. Academic staff will be on hand to assist students with their FASFA applications. High school seniors are encouraged to bring in their art work portfolios (photos, painting, sculptures etc.) for a critique from faculty for the possibility of being awarded a $1,000 scholarship.

6. **Board of Trustees Meeting** – Dr. Martin

- Dr. Martin shared the November Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda and encouraged staff to attend the meetings as an opportunity to get to know our Trustees, IAIA campus open house from 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm, November 8th
- Board Committees Meetings and a Community Gathering featuring a Board Panel discussion followed by a question-and-answer session in the CLE Commons, November 9th.
- Board General Session Meeting, from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, November 10th

7. **Website Analytics / New Webpage Additions** – Jason Ordaz

Jason Ordaz provided an overview of the website statistics in real time. The top ten pages visited are; Home, Portal, Museum, Library, Museum Exhibitions, Search, Admission, Employment, About and the College Catalog.

Mr. Ordaz also worked with Jennifer Forrester and Jamie Figueroa on the new MFA Quarterly Journal webpage to highlight the accomplishments of staff, faculty and mentors. This will include upcoming readings and events by those who are involved in the program. Publications will be published quarterly in October, January, April, and July of each year.

Mr. Ordaz shared that the Portal Minutes page is now public, and each tab includes minutes from various Committees. Dr. Martin will communicate to campus Committees the requirement to post their meeting minutes.

8. **Update on Student Success Initiatives** – Heidi Brandow

Heidi Brandow announced that the student pantry will be moved the Student Union Building after facilities finishes the shelving. A proposal has been submitted to ASG to purchase a refrigerator to store perishable items and the Land Grant Program has offered to donate fresh produce.

The Academic Department (Dean Teters, Delight Talawepi and Doris Hernandez) has challenged all departments or teams of 5 to 10 individuals to donate food to the student pantry for a chance to win prizes.

Ms. Brandow stated that the on-line material for the mentoring program are available. There is still time to sign up for the program and Ms. Brandow will be meeting with Nena Martinez Anaya to discuss the student stipends.

Ms. Brandow presented a summary on Early Alerts at the last Pathways meeting and stated that faculty and staff were surprised that the data showed such high numbers of absenteeism.
9. Enrollment /Admissions Update – Mary Silentwalker

Mary Silentwalker stated that enrollment has dropped slightly. The decline was attributed to personnel changes in admissions, inaccurate student contact information, financial hardship, or student’s choosing other institutions.

Ms. Silentwalker is working with staff on a process for updating student information. They determined that that the application fee waiver was not an effective recruiting option. The alternative is to have students complete their FASFA to determine if there is a need for a fee waiver. Counselors will be trained in Empower and follow a step-by-step guideline to assist students from the point of initial contact through orientation.

Admissions and recruitment implemented an open house recruitment scholarship. They also will schedule a day for local high school students in the spring to shadow current students. They will host an admitted student workshop day in December and again in the Spring. There will be in-person workshops to discuss next steps for admission.

The new admissions report shows an increase of 14% accepted from last year’s spring report.

10. IAIA Holiday Market – Eileen Berry

Eileen Berry stated that the IAIA Holiday Art Market will take place on December 15th, in the Academic Building. The market will showcase work of alumni, faculty, students, staff, and other Native American artists. Booth spaces are limited and will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

11. Year End Appeal Campaign – Eileen Berry

Eileen Berry and James Rutherford are working on an on-line scholarship support campaign. Mr. Rutherford will produce video recordings of alumni and student scholarship recipients. Ms. Berry and Mr. Rutherford are also working on messaging to start the campaign in mid-November. The intent is to use technology and move away from the expense of mailing letters.

12. Faculty Council Update – Bryan Fleetwood (absent)

Delight Talawepi spoke on behalf of Brian Fleetwood. Ms. Talawepi stated that the Faculty Council will submit language requesting approval to give faculty status to the library staff.

During the open house, faculty will be conducting portfolio reviews of prospective students and offering incentive scholarships to those who show promise.

Faculty Council is working on an on-line student bill of rights that will outline the duties and responsibilities of students and staff for the on-line classes.

13. Staff Council Update – David Beams

The next Staff Council meeting is scheduled at the museum from 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm. Larry Mirabal and Todd Spielman will be presenting an update on health benefits.

Staff council is hosting a brown bag on October 25th to discuss Plan 22 presented by Dr. Sayre.

14. Announcements

- Anthony Coca announced that Mildred Raphaelito has been hired as a full-time IT Technician. Century link phone issues have been resolved. Mr. Coca will be contacting AIHEC to coordinate a visit to discuss the IT infrastructure project.

- The Wellness Council has developed creative individual and team challenges to promote health. Prizes will be awarded.
• The Residence Center had their first meetings with family housing residents and RA’s. The open house art show is being developed to bring visitors to the residence areas.

15. Closing Positive Note
• A COLA increase will be reflected in employee’s next payroll check.
• Open enrollment for health benefits will begin on December 3 and selection will be available through the Paylocity Open enrollment module.

16. Adjourn:
    Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.