

## College Advisory & Communication Committee February 14, 2024 • 9:00 – 10:00 AM Zoom Minutes

Present: Lynda Bykerk-Rupke (ELC), Rita Cooper (CECI Dean's Office), Mark Hoffman (CECI Dean's Office), Patty Janes (SCLD), Christopher Kierkus (SCCJLS), Jamie Langlois (SSW), Angie Leedy (SSW Graduate Representative), Kel Nemetz (OCA), Melanie Rabine-Johnson (CECI UAC), and Mei Mah (CEP), Mary Bair (LEFT) for Rui Niu-Cooper (sabbatical), and Jen DeWaard (T&L) for Wei Gu (sabbatical)

Guests: Dean Sherril Soman and Hannah Chiu, OCA student assistant

- 1. A motion was made to approve the 1/10/24 minutes. The motion was seconded and was unanimously approved.
- 2. We discussed the requested need for more college-wide meetings with Dean Soman. This request came from the Listening Session with Provost Mili.
  - Dean Soman is unclear what the faculty and staff need/want and asked CACC for their thoughts and guidance in assessing this request. More social? Service? Scholarship? Community building?
  - CACC has been hosting social events both internally (i.e., KFB Bag-a-thon, GACC events) and externally (i.e., ArtPrize) to GVSU, as well as service events (clean-ups). Better attendance at on-campus events.
  - Continue to leverage existing events, i.e., sporting events. These takes less energy to plan.
  - A few suggestions were made: ED Talks based on TED Talks, scholarship poster session, brown bag lunch, or an event with a scholarship focus with a social aspect afterward.
  - Discussed the difficulties of juggling workload responsibilities and how it affects attendance at some events.
  - Jamie sees CECI Chat as a conduit for some of these events. Someone is needed to spearhead the chat.
  - Dean Soman will be attending unit meetings and will be mentioning this concern, but CACC representatives should also be discussing this with their units.
  - Representatives to report back to the committee and to Dean Soman.
- 3. Mark shared a Japanese/Korean Valentine's tradition and Ghanaian chocolate.
- 4. Introductions were made.

- 5. Reviewed and discussed the new and current CECI awards.
  - Through a series of unanimously approved motions, here is the final list of awards with their descriptions and criteria.
    - o 2023 CECI Awards
    - o 2024 CECI Awards

## Agenda Items for 3/13:

- CECI Chat
- Review Bylaws
  - Are the current bylaws true to what we do? Do any changes need to be made?
  - Jamie will report back to Faculty Council.

## **Attachments:**

Bylaws

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

Wednesday, March 13 from 9:00-10:00 AM in 303C DEV

Wednesday, March 27 from 12:00-3:00 PM in 303C DEV (CECI Awards Selection)

Wednesday, April 10 from 9:00-10:00 AM in 303C DEV