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| **Asia Council Meeting Minutes****September 25, 2017****Middle Georgia State College***In Attendance:*David Starling*– Valdosta State University* (*chair)**Eric Kendrick – Georgia Perimeter College**Jonathan Leightner – Augusta State University**Flor Bondal – Georgia College and State University**Mary Helen O’Connor – Georgia State University**Ihor Pidhainy – West Georgia University**Mimi Noda – Albany State University**Jan Rodd – Albany State University**Lily Wang –Middle Georgia Universoty**Jarris Lanham – Georgia College and State University**Tsu-Ming Chiang – Georgia College and State University*  |
| **Topic** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| Meeting was called to order by chair at 1:45 | N/A | N/A |
| Introduction of members and attendees | N/A | N/A |
| Approval of minutes | Motion to accept by Jonathan Leighter, seconded by Jan Rodd. | Minutes approved |
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| Committee Reports |  |  |
| 1. Asian Studies Certificate
 | No applications for new MOU as of Sept. 2017 | Council members encouraged to push for more agreement. |
| 1. Report of Study Abroad Programs
 | * Wilson Huang – no report
* Baogong Guo –had 20 participants and 4 faculty, no problems
* David Starling – 18 paid and 17 showed-up, no problems
* Flor Bondal – 16 paid, 15 students participated, no problems
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| 1. New Programs for 2018
 | China Program – planning to have 6 facultyTsu- Ming Chang (GC) – introduced the Taiwan program, first time offering in summer 2018. It is a STEM program with 1 credit of culture and language. Partners with University of Taipei. The program takes transient students from other universities. |  |
| Financial Update |  $11,000 + - still at GPC and needs to be moved with the chair | Needs to move to Valdosta State with the chair  |
| Asia Council Website  | * No changes
 | Members to send any pertinent links and information for site inclusion to David via listservs |
| SCIE System Council for International Education) Updates | * Chief Academic Officer – strong supporter of international education
* $750 connect app - provides emergency contacts cards and program info with tracking device during travels
* Study Abroad Committee – Cleary act was discussed
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| Teaching Asia Faculty Development Workshop  | * Erik chaired the workshop last April 7-8, 2017 at GSU Dunwoody Campus.
	+ Good attendance – other schools in Atlanta area, Tech schools in attendance
	+ Started with Japan expo, with concert with Taiko projects, good speakers between humanities and
* Proposal for 2018:

Jonathan Leighter – religion on Asia – focus on Islam Proposed 5 speakers; contact middle eastern council for other speakersSallie, Liam and Erik will set-up the room and food Proposed date: April 13 – 14, 2017Proposed venue: Clarkston GSU or Savannah Armstrong Moved by Flor and Seconded by Jan  | **Members approved the proposal** |
| ASDP | * Erik proposed that Asia Council to host the 2019 conference
	+ ASDP – Liam and Eric Spears – will contact and confirm
	+ Proposal is attached – preconference program
	+ Asia Council might need to fork some money
	+ Erik asked for council to agree to take the proposal to ASDP
	+ Moved by Flor seconded by Jonathan Leighter
* Erik presented the pre-workshop activities at the March ASDP conference – March 1-3, 2018 – Washington DC
 | **Will wait for ASDP to confirm** **If approved, a proposal to replace the 2019 faculty workshop with ASDP conference****Members voted and approved to submit proposal to host ASDP conference**  |
| Workshop in Emerging SouthEast Asia – October 9th |  | **Email to chairs by Wednesday if attending** |
| Other Items & Miscellaneous Announcements | Opening the council membership to non-USG schools – EC welcome assign meetings, sign MOU, non-voting members but students are allowed to participate in programs – incorporate with Asia Council by-laws | **Members to review the Asia Council by-laws and compare with EC by-laws****David to update and send via email for voting****By end of semester and vote on the next meeting** |
| Adjournment | The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm | **Next meeting Jan 26, 2018** |