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| **Asia Council Meeting Minutes**  **September 25, 2020**  **Online Meeting via Microsoft Team**  *In Attendance:*  Eric Spear - Columbus State University (chair)  *Eric Kendricks – GSU Perimeter College*  *Jonathan Leightner – Augusta University*  *Ken Nguyen – Clayton State University*  *Joseph Johnson - GSU Perimeter College*  *Tammy Rosner – (guest)*  *Margaret Mullins - (USG guest)*  *Baogang Guo – Dalton State College*  *Flor Bondal – Georgia College(secretary)*  *Tsu-ming Chang – Georgia College* | | |
| **Topic** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| Meeting was called to order by chair at 2:09pm | N/A | N/A |
| Previous minutes | No minutes to approve | **n/a** |
| Financial Update | * The Asian Council’s allocation for the ASDP conference, which was approved in Jan 2020, was not used. * So, the balance will be the same from 2019 ($9600 as of Jan 2019) |  |
| Committees |  |  |
| a. Progress report on Asian Studies Certificate at various campuses | No report |  |
| b. Report of Study Abroad Programs | * The China program was presented by Margaret Mullins. Enrollment is lower compared to previous years at this time of the semester. An online alternative is planned if program is not going to make. * Ken Nguyen is developing a Vietnam Program for 2022 * The Philippines/Japan Study abroad is scheduled for May/June 2021 – currently with 7 applicants |  |
| c. Faculty Development “Teaching Asia” | * Eric Kendrick proposed an online program for 2021 with the theme, “Teaching Asian Studies across the Curriculum.” * Tsu-Ming Chang proposed to partner with Asian Universities and invite speakers * *Jonathan Leightner moved to accept the proposals.* * Logistics for the conference, whether live or pre—recorded, were also discussed. * A call to join the planning committee will be put out mid-October. | *Motion carried.*  *Eric Spears and Eric* *Kendrick are inviting other members to join the planning committee. Members interested to email Eric.* |
| Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP) | * Eric Spears and Eric Kendrick reported on the success of the 2020 ASDP conference that was co-sponsored by Asia Council * Eric Kendrick commended the high numbers of attendance from Dalton College * The 2021 ASDP conference will be virtual. A discounted Student fee is being proposed. * The conference in 2022 will be in San Diego and the 2023 conference will be in Kentucky * Eric Kendrick plans to create an Asia Council pre-conference cultural tour in San Diego |  |
| Asia Council Website | * No report. |  |
| SCIE System Council for International Education) Updates | * No report |  |
| Other Business | * A motion was put forth by Eric Kendrick for all officers to extend office term for another year in light of the pandemic. | **Motion carried** |
| Other Items & Miscellaneous Announcements | 1. None |  |
| Adjournment | The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm. | **Next meeting is January 21, 2021** |

Respectfully Submitted:

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Asia Council Secretary