

International Education Committee Meeting
Friday, April 23, 2021

Present: James Byrnes, Dawn Gale, Beth Gulley, John Harty, Bruce Harvey, Janette Jasperson, Nick Mancini, Dan Owens, Tom Patterson (chair), Kitzeln Siebert, Justin Stanley

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as written.

Selection of Cohort II for the UISFL Grant:

Final approval was given to the members of Cohort II of the UISFL grant. Their proposals were scored in advance by the committee. The following faculty were selected:

- Nancy Holcroft Benson
- John Patrick Harty
- Lekha Sreedhar
- Melanie Harvey
- Lani Witters
- Chris Imm
- Michelle Riley
- Jeff Oden

Travel Grant Application from Jay Antle:

Jay Antle requested \$2,500 to travel to Iceland in July 2021 to prepare to lead a study abroad program. The proposed program will study how Iceland is grappling with issues of sustainability and climate change. Antle noted that climate change is more evident in the Arctic than in Kansas. Iceland now allows fully vaccinated Americans – which Antle is – to enter without a quarantine requirement.

This travel grant application meets the committee's criteria for funding. Consequently, the committee approved the full \$2,500 request, subject to the college's IRT approving the travel.

Travel Grant Application from Aaron Prater:

Aaron Prater requested funding to travel to Lima and Cuzco, Peru, in late July/early August 2021. Prater will visit three Peruvian culinary schools in an effort to develop a study abroad program for culinary students. He noted that Peru is the origin of tomatoes and potatoes and has become a culinary destination.

This travel grant application meets the committee's criteria for funding. Consequently, the committee approved up to \$2,500 for this travel, subject to the college's IRT approving the travel.