

INSTITUTIONAL POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2017
10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mary Lou Bates; Erica Bastress-Dukehart; Beau Breslin; Grace Burton; Bill Duffy; Greg Gerbi; Philip A. Glotzbach, Chair; Lisa Hobbs; James Kennelly, Vice Chair; Eric Morser; Levi Rogers; Max Fleischman '19 (for Kira Geary '18); Joseph Stankovich; and Joshua C. Woodfork.

NOT PRESENT: Cerri A. Banks; Paul Calhoun; Tim Harper; Kris Leggiero; Kim Verstandig; Tayler Salvatore '18; and Michael D. West.

Called to order at 10:30 AM.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

IPPC **approved** the minutes from the September 22, 2017 meeting, with the following edit: Under agenda item #6, change the last sentence in the first paragraph to read, "Only three top 50 schools are lower than Skidmore for alumni giving on this *U.S. News and World Report* "Best National Liberal Arts Colleges" list.

2. : Susan Cain, "The Power of Introverts"

Grace Burton and Greg Gerbi provided comment on why they selected this talk from Susan Cain on introversion. Members of the committee joined in the discussion, and collectively the group noted that this talk provided a great reminder that not all students (colleagues, etc.

4. Center for Integrated Sciences (CIS) Open Forum Debrief

President Glotzbach reported that the CIS Open Forum discussion had respectable participation for the time of day, with approximately 100 in attendance. He noted that, in general, response to the plan ranges from “doesn’t really affect me directly” to “this is really important to me”; however, there does not seem to be any substantial opposition – just varying levels of support. Members of the IPPC pointed out that the budget numbers presented in the open forum were difficult to read. It was suggested that the budget slides could be added as an Appendix to these IPPC meeting minutes [please see the Appendix].

5. Overview

Joshua presented the “*In It 2*” website and planned activities. He expressed appreciation to the Inclusion Liaisons (representatives from each of the College’s divisions) who helped develop the programming. He went over the schedule, which includes two events with Skylar Kergil ’13, author of the recently published memoir *Before I Had the Word: On Being a Transgender Young Adult* (Skyhorse Publishing, 2017); a facilitated discussion and honorary degree conferral to Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum, author of *Why are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria? And Other Conversations About Race*; a lunch discussion with “Three Generations of Villarosa,” featuring current Skidmore student, Kali Villarosa ’19 and her journalist mother and entrepreneur grandmother; and a film-screening and discussion of the film *Sauti*.

Joshua expressed gratitude to all of the campus partners who collaborated on the three days of events and encouraged all members to participate as they are able. For more details, please visit the website: <http://www.skidmore.edu/diversity/init2/index.php>

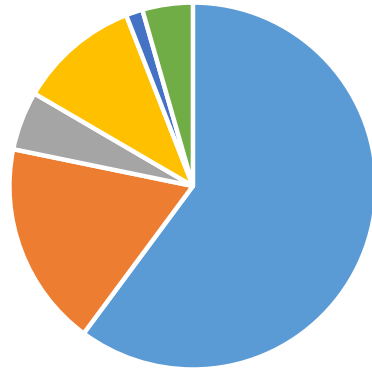
6. Call for Agenda Items

Levi Rogers announced that at a future IPPC meeting the Sustainability Office will plan to present its annual report based on the goals of the *Campus Sustainability Plan*. He reminded the Committee that the Sustainability Office and the Campus Sustainability Committee made a commitment to IPPC to submit an annual report. He noted that there are a number of ongoing initiatives this semester that are not yet complete, and therefore, his office would prefer to wait until the beginning of next semester to provide their annual report.

Jim Kennelly, Vice Chair, reported that later in October the Sustainability Office is planning to participate in a national screening of *An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power*.

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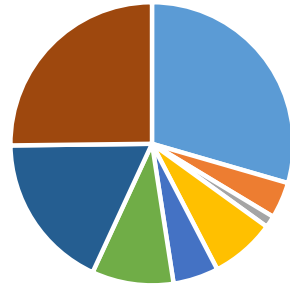
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