

**ISAB Meeting
October 12th, 2016**

1. New Committees

- a. Administrative
 - i. **Members:** Jan, Andrés, Luiza
 - ii. **Objective:** organize meetings, set the agenda, know what's happening in the sub-committees, take attendance, coordinate ISAB Grant applications, keep OIA informed
 - iii. **To-do:** make it mandatory to use SLACK, share minutes with board and OIA, create listhost, send out google form for signing up for committees, ask OIA for the list of ISAB members (to take attendance), send email with ISAB bylaws and warnings to those who missed our first meeting
- b. Career
 - i. **Members:** Boxuan, Benjamin, Irene, Luiza, Kevin, Candice and Eliza
 - ii. **Objective:** improve career development and job opportunities for international students, also act as advisors when needed
 - iii. **Background:** We have been working with Career Advancement over the summer to put together a survey about job opportunities and career development opportunities for international students. We have a first draft done but we need approval from CA and OIA in order to send it out
 - iv. **Ideas:** One idea is to have Coffee Chats and mentoring for international students to understand the cultural aspects of the recruiting process, etc. Perhaps talk to career advancement so that one of their advisors learns about international student issues regarding work permits
- c. Outreach
 - i. **Members:** Hasmik, Iuri, Chang Min, Ingebjoerg, Luiza
 - ii. **Objective:** create a new website, work on getting input from international students, survey, start building listhost, spread word around about ISAB Grant, work with the Maroon to publicize international student issues
 - iii. [Link to the Facebook Page](#)
 - iv. [Link to the Facebook Group](#)
- d. Programming
 - i. **Members:** Irénée (?), Seo-Young
 - ii. **Objective:** organize events and activities for international students, responsible for the ISAB Grant for funding other events.
 - iii. **Background:** Had a budget cut which will affect our ability to fund student events.
 - iv. **To-do:** Ask OIA if we have funding for our own events or if it has to come out of the ISAB Grant
- e. LGBTQIA+

- i. **Members:** Jan, Iuri, Darren, Chang Min, Sarath
 - ii. **Objective:** work with the intersection between the international student body and the LGBTQ community. Promote programming and work with the Center for Identity + Inclusion
 - iii. **Background:** Jan had everything set up to have an event during international pre-orientation but had complications with booking rooms. In the future, can book rooms in the 5710 building, or contact an RSO leader to use his/her permissions (Andrés)
- f. Wellness
- i. **Members:** Em Young, Benjamin, Hasmik, Seo-Young, Chang Min, Darren
 - ii. **Objective:** design a mental health program specifically for international student, being more culture sensitive, better counseling, etc, for international students. Create a peer support system, address issues of physical health too
 - iii. **Background:** last year we had a panel with Student Counseling Services, where we talked with all the counselors. How can we get more international students to use mental health support? How to normalize it? Are there confidentiality issues?
 - iv. **Ideas:** Mental Health Advisory Group, other groups to work with? (Let's Talk program)
- g. Mentorship
- i. **Members:** Jan, Andrés, Ijaaz, Sarath
 - ii. **Background:** already have 40 mentor/mentee pairs with the incoming freshman class
 - iii. **Objective:** set up a mentorship program for undergraduate international students
- h. Representation
- i. **Members:** Andrés, Jan, Ingebjoerg, Hasmik, Luiza
 - ii. **Objective:** raise the voice of the international community on campus, improve credit granted for IB and other programs, address issues of financial aid for international students
 - iii. **Background:** increased price of international pre-orientation from 200 to 400 dollars, end of the calculus placement exam, financial aid limitations, outside scholarships
 - iv. **Ideas:** For financial aid: benchmarking with other similar institutions. Get representation in the student government.