International Programs Scoping Committee
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
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Minutes


Paul Mueller gave a report of the deliberations of the IPAC and the suggestions this group had for the continued development of the international programs in the College. The best programs at peer institutions would be the programs at Michigan State University, Purdue University and Cornell University. There will be further examination of the funding models behind these exemplary programs.

A discussion occurred relative to the ideal size and budget of the international programs office in CALS. It was suggested that the leadership position should be at the associate dean level and that there should be between $30,000 and $50,000 of annual operating. The college should consider providing support for a finite period of time to the new director similar to startup for a faculty hire.

The draft of a position description was reviewed and edited.

The outline of a white paper was reviewed and suggestions were made relative to the content. It was discussed that the paper should present opportunities and issues, but it should not be all inclusive. The new director should be encouraged to develop a strategic plan for the international programs area in the college.