

## **Meeting Minutes: Fall Conference**

Shirley: Do we want to hear about high school programs and/or ways to get connected with AWISA?

Audience Member #1: I have a concern that high schools do not know about SEVIS/immigration issues, etc. Who is telling them?

Audience Member #2: Maybe we can combine it with underage students?

Issue was tabled for now; it will be looked into further in the future perhaps because there was not much interest from group.

Shirley: Advisor-to-advisor is 99% immigration issues. Would others like to see other issues brought up during these tabling sessions? Talked about breaking into various groups; that was nixed because people wanted to cover all topics together (e.g. marketing/advising, academic advising, immigration advising, study abroad). Will try and block advisor-to-advisor into segments.

Nathan announced LinkedIn Account

Shirley announced that AWISA will be bringing back pens and tote bags. Tote bags will be given to host institutions and also given retroactively to institutions who have hosted in the past year.

Handed out certificates to Will from NSCC on behalf of Sayako. Gave Monica round of applause since she was not there in person – thanked her for her work on AWISA.

### Catherine gave treasurer updates

Checking: \$5,005.11

Savings: \$3,023.98

### Other Announcements

New Members:

Will Leadinham from North Seattle Community College- New member and new role as Marketing Coordinator

Aleksander Morawski from Seattle University- New member and new role as International Admissions Advisor

David Gerry from University of Washington International Student Services

Kathy Wong from University of Washington- International Student Advisor

Marsha Newman from CORT Furniture

Dahlia Campbell from CORT Furniture

Kathy Wilkin from CORT Furniture

New Positions:

Kathy Gallentine from Central Washington University- International Advisor at Central Washington University

Christine Lewis from Bellevue College

Sandra Bonifield from Bellevue College- Admission Coordinator

Erica Phoebe from ACE

Lisa Jacobson from University of Washington Bothell

Heather Jacobson – Looking for work

Erin Walker from Shoreline Community College- Academic Advisor

Tiffany Meier from Shoreline Community College- Academic Advisor in International Education

Lisa Zenno with Melibee Consulting: Announced that she is working with this group; they offer group speakers, consultants, internship opportunities.

#### Current Job Announcements

Machelle from UW: Upcoming UW Advisor position; ideally looking for someone with F and J experience; if no J experience, they would be willing to train.

Laju from Centralia: Int'l Stud. Program Specialist/Advisor position open

Beth Robinson from Whatcom CC: Position for Director of academic ESL program

David Roseberry from SCCC: Advisor position still open – closes tonight

Highline CC: Housing/Internship coordinator position. Taking care of housing issues; deadline Oct. 17

Shirley/Catherine:

Travel Grant applications will be forthcoming – look in your upcoming announcements; application will be forthcoming via announcements, FB, etc.