A meeting of the International Studies Advisory Council was held on Tuesday February 23, 2012 at 3:00 in Founders Hall 2147.
Present: Amy Rundstrom, Barbara Amundson, Steve Amundson, Suzanne Maughan, Diana Jones, Susan Honeyman, Sonja Kropp, Tone Mendoza, Ann Marie Park, Matt Mimms, Sylvia Asay
Absent: Will Aviles

The meeting began with a discussion of the upcoming APR next year. Lilly explained that Vice Chancellor Bicak had denied the request for a delay of the APR. That is not a problem except for the lack of assessment data. Diana provided a list of the program’s majors. Of the 14 who are in the new program, only about 4 will have completed any upper division electives by the end of this semester. Lilly will work on trying to get papers from them for assessment purposes. She sent out a letter to the 14 majors in the new program about 2 weeks ago asking them to register in the INTS section of TaskStream and upload their papers. So far only 3 have and they are all either freshmen or sophomores who have not taken any upper division electives yet. The situation is not encouraging. Regardless, we will need to come up with an outside Program Team leader. Lilly asked council members to send in suggestions.

Lilly asked if anyone had information about UNK purchasing TaskStream for students since it appears that so far many students are buying it only for the year in which they are required to do so, not for all four years. Asay said the issue had been discussed in the GS Council but there was no firm news yet.

The meeting then focused on adjustments to the brochure. Some minor changes were made to the language requirement section. We want to retain the idea that if students CAN fulfill the requirement in languages other than those taught at UNK, we will allow it. Otherwise, the only significant change concerns the Director’s contact information. Lilly will make final changes and send it out for one last review.

Further discussion concerned funding for a reception for Leora Kahn, the curator of the “Rescuers” exhibit ideally in the Alumni House.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 29 at 3:00 in FDHL 2147.