MVCC COLLEGE SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Name of Committee: International Initiatives Committee

Academic Year: Spring 2011

Committee Chairperson's Name: Carolyn West Pace

Names of Committee members from Spring 2011: Anne Ichihana, Darla Maffei, Marianne Buttenschon, Alison Doughtie, Sandra Engel, Maimun Khan, Rosemary Spetka, Mary Hunt, Barbara Scantlebury, Carolyn West Pace, Rialda Alibergic, Student Council Representative, Leslie Kubica, Mary Lee Berg, William Zogby, and Fumin Pan.

COMMITTEE CHARGE: The purpose of the *International Initiatives Committee* is to promote Global View as stated in the college's mission by celebrating diverse cultures, heritages, and traditions; and organizing and promoting intercultural opportunities for the college community.

Number of Meetings: This committee meets bi-monthly throughout the Fall and Spring semesters and periodically between semesters. Anne Ichihana is the Secretary of the International Initiatives Committee.

Summary of Committee Meetings: The major focus of the committee for this past year has been to organize events that promote an understanding of International cultures. To this aim, we focused on the International Festival in the Spring semester – an event which has grown over the past few years. We had more displays and activities that before (with most of the displays in IT 225), and this year included an interactive feature, an international "passport" for the college's required DGV credit. Students were required to visit and speak with representatives in the display areas to receive their passport stamps. We included two International Book Discussions in the Spring semester – one in March targeted towards students and another at the Summer Institute for faculty and staff. The book was *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri. The committee is planning several activities for the fall semester including an International Student Reception and a book discussion of Anna Badkin's *Peace Meals* that will be coordinated with a lecture by the author. Carolyn West Pace was elected Chair of the Committee for the Fall 2011-Spring 2012 Academic Year.

The membership of the International Initiatives Committee for Fall 2011-Spring

2012 is as follows:

Faculty: Elected Alison Doughtie (Language & Learning) Carolyn West Pace* (Arts & Humanities) Shawn Liang (Arts & Humanities) Bill Zogby (Arts & Humanities)	5/31/13 5/31/14 5/31/13 5/31/12
Faculty: Appointed Fumin Pan (Mathematics, Engineering, Physical Science & Applied Technology) Anne Ichihana (Library) Mary Lee Berg (LAHS) Barbara Scantlebury (BISS)	5/31/12 5/31/14 5/31/13 5/31/12
Staff members: Elected Maimun Khan (Counseling) Leslie Kubica (Placement testing) Mary Hunt (Institutional Research, Elected replacement)	5/31/14 5/31/13 5/31/13
Staff members: Appointed Rosemary Spetka, Registrar	5/31/12
Sara Boulanger (Coord. Services. Int'l. Students) Sandra Engel (Director International Education) Dean Marianne Buttenschon (Elected replacement, BISS)	ongoing ongoing 5/31/13

Students: Appointed by Student Congress (1-year term)

Recommendations for College Senate Action:

Submitted by: Carolyn West Pace, Ph.D. Date: June 30, 2011