

INVST Directors' Committee Meeting NOTES
Wednesday, April 22nd, 2015 from 6-8:30pm in HUMN 190

Community SOL Project Presentations by Echolumiina, 6-7 pm

Break, 7-7:10pm

Call to Order (Frannie Buescher, facilitator)

- Enjoy snack brought by Tony
- Assign roles: note-taker (Melissa), vibes watcher, time keeper, etc.
- Last meeting's notes approved by community: DECISION

Old Business

- A. Budget review of this fiscal year and INVST Community Leadership Program summer budget

Review INVST Budget (2 min)

Why we look at the budget

- Every organization has a budget, helps reflect health of an organization
- Clear story of how money flows, where it comes from, where it goes
- INVST likes to be as transparent as possible, INVST students can learn something about how organizations function and see where the money is going
- SPAF or Summer Program Activity Fee is a large portion of the summer budget (that will be due from you to us on June 1st)

Topaz: What happens if we are short for the summer service learning experiences?

We have to cut things from the itinerary/ies

Vicki: Brought up fundraising concerns with both monetary goal and potential donors ... concerned that student fundraisers might not meet their goal by the deadline; also concerned that some who said they had given had not yet shown up on list of names of donors

Tony: Raised questions of gas prices fluctuating and if emergency money gets carried over? How will the Gala raise the set amount of money?

Ticket sales and donations to our June fundraising event, silent auction, sponsorships by 1 local business

Otter: How are transportation emissions offset? (Sabrina to look up & tell you later – cannot remember name of org).

Update:

We use this organization:

Colorado Carbon Fund
Governor's Energy Office
1580 Logan St., Suite 100 Denver, CO 80203
P: [303.866.3464](tel:303.866.3464)

Franky: If we do not reach our fundraising goals, what will be cut from the itinerary? Lakeside hostel stay at beginning of the Nicaragua component, excursions to the waterfalls & the last stay at a lake, probably

B. Financial Support to CLP Students/Document on Paid Internship Possibilities:

Maddie: We created a document to hand out to students that are starting INVST. This will go on the INVST website, and there will be a folder in the INVST office. It is most helpful if students have a work-study award and there are jobs on and off campus for students with work-study. This will hopefully help students feel more supported to maintain their quality of life during year 1 in INVST.

Update: This can be found here: <https://communitystudies.colorado.edu/community-partners/community-partners> (Scroll down)

Tony: It seems that on the resources tab on the INVST website, under social justice opportunities, there could be more info. Tony is willing to help post opportunities for other internships and jobs *after INVST*.

Update: Sabrina followed up with him to ask him to do this. She will add it to our web site at this link: <https://communitystudies.colorado.edu/resources/social-environmental-justice-opportunities>

Maddie: Offers to be a resource for students who want to work on their resume, before seeking internships in CLP year 1.

Meagan: Are we allowed to offer credit for classes for students who have a paid internship? Unless they are ENVS majors, usually, yes – depends on the Department they call home.

Sabrina: Thank you for creating this proposal, Maddie. Staff team to offer more info about financial support & options to the incoming class and all future CLP classes. Great improvement to INVST.

✓ **Proposal approved**: adopted this handout on paid internship opportunities

C. Inclusion of Veterans - Otter

- Compiled a list of resources for CLP students who are veteran identified to publish in two places: The INVST website, and the INVST CLP handbook
- Colorado.edu/veterans, Veterans helping Veterans now, Second Mission, Veterans for Peace, CU student veterans association, Veteran's passport to Hope, Out serve Veterans- Queer service members advocacy group.

Topaz: could we also consider including more of these voices in our classroom setting?

Sabrina is having someone from Veterans for Peace in her INVST 1000 class next week.

- ✓ **Proposal approved**
- ✓ Update: Sabrina to add this resource to INVST web site

Standing Committee Report

Consideration of Learning Outcomes

- 1 minute to read through the notes on last DC discussion on Learning Outcomes.
- 7 minutes to review the Learning Outcomes with a partner.
- What do we want to community partners to take away from us?
Please email feedback to Becca or Sabrina or hand them your feedback on the paperwork to keep the process moving

Committee Announcements

SSSRC- Meagan announces that Sabrina will be starting a PhD program in the Fall. She will continue on as the Program Director but will not be teaching. We are in the process of gathering applications and starting interviews with the SSSRC committee.

Also David Meens has been accepted at the Director of the office of Outreach and Engagement and therefor will not be teaching INVS 4402 in the Fall.

Curriculum committee: Drew and Franky visited the Black Mesa Water Coalition, this Spring Break to see if they are a good fit for the DSSLE as a Community Partner. They felt that their values aligned with the INVST Community Leadership Program. Could be a good reciprocal relationship. They also got to work with other youth in the community. A lot of space for more connections to be built & strengthened, as we move forward. **Decision** to partner with BMWC for the DSSLE in 2015.

FAB Update - INVST 25th anniversary celebration in June. There are lots of free events and one fundraising event that costs money to attend. Please look out for reminders online. All events in Boulder. Becca is reminding us of the importance of attending these events to network, meet alumni, be inspired, etc. Don't miss it!!! INVST is 25!!!