



Johns Hopkins University Public Interest Investment Advisory Committee (PIIAC)
Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2017
5:00pm – 6:15pm
Provost's Conference Room, 251 Garland Hall

Present: Jeff Kahn, Committee Chair; Kristin Blanchfield (by phone); Stephanie Erev; Francois Furstenberg, Ben Hobbs (by phone); Cynthia Jin; Ellen Mackenzie; Jane Schlegel (by phone); Sara Slaff (Staff to the Committee); RoseMarie Tate (Administrative Support); Rachel Whitehead.

Not present: Yadel Okorie; Peter Pronovost.

Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 5:03pm by Jeff Kahn, Committee Chair. Those present proceeded to introduce themselves.

Additional Support for PIIAC

PIIAC is now fully staffed. Rachel Whitehead, PhD History (KSAS) and Stephanie Erev, a current KSAS graduate student and PIIAC member, will assist the committee as it continues its information gathering processes and synthesis efforts and will help facilitate the drafting of committee recommendations.

Discussion of Spring Fossil Fuel Divestment Event (April 2017)

President Daniels and Provost Kumar are committed to hosting a JHU Forum on Fossil Fuel Divestment. The tentative plans were shared with the committee. Tentative dates are the evening of April 17, 2017 or April 19, 2017. The event will take place in Hodson Hall and will be open to the university community and the public with light food served in the lobby of Hodson. Speakers are being contacted and finalized. Suggestions for the format and possible back up speakers were discussed in detail. PIIAC requested an opportunity to meet with panelists prior to the forum.

Work Plan and Timeline

- Committee to begin collecting updated information
- Upload updated information into JHBOX
- Committee to receive emails bi-weekly with any updates to JHBOX
- Committee to review all materials
- Groups to be assigned –report back to committee
- Fossil Fuel Divestment Event
- Final Report

Collection of Additional Information

Research/Collection of Data: It was agreed that everyone would begin uploading relevant documents, i.e.: articles, scholarly studies, etc. that provides history and back ground information into JHBOX. Rachel Whitehead agreed to organize the documents in JHBOX and send an email notifying the committee what has been updated and where to locate it in JHBOX on a bi-weekly basis to the committee for their review. Andy Conner, Investment Officer with Johns Hopkins will be invited to speak to the Committee to give an investment update.

New Committee Members

Applications for one new student position along with a faculty position are being reviewed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm

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