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Brief Introductory Narrative:	These are the PFI generated from the PER in Communication Arts in the College of Communication and Fine Arts.						

9/11/06 mjac International Standing Committee will be stood up in September. The committee includes the 5 academic deans, and a representative from University College, Student Services, Financial Affairs & International Programs. The initial proposal for the Confucius Institute was delivered to the Chinese constituency by the Chancellor in July 2006. The proposed Mandarin Chinese language course to be offered by TROY through Maxwell Air Force Base did NOT make for fall 2006.

11/27/06 mjac Dr. Don Jeffrey and Dr. Maryjo Cochran traveled to Beijing with the CCIEE/AASCU delegation to participate in the 7th Annual China International Forum on Education and the China Education Expo 2006. They also represented TROY at the Sino-American University Presidents Seminar. They visited 5 universities including Shandong University @ Weihai and Hebei Normal University of Science & Technology. Dr. Cochran made a presentation at the "Sino-American 1+2+1 Dual Degree Program" Symposium. At the conclusion of the trip, Cochran & Jeffrey had a productive meeting with Michael Merner, President of NCN Institute USA about recruiting international students.

11/27/06 mjac The initial CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE proposal, written in June, has been revised by Drs. Cochran and Porter and will be submitted to Dr. Roach for review on 11/28/06. A final application will be submitted to the Chinese government by early December, 2006.

12/11/06 mjac A two page explanation of the Confucius Proposal was delivered to Dr. Cameron Martindale on 12/6. Dr. Martindale will seek additional letters of support for a Confucius Institute at Troy to be included with the final proposal.

1/12/06 MJAC Waiting for letters of support from Mayors of Montgomery and Dothan to include in Confucius Proposal packet for the Chancellor. They should be received by mid-January, 2007.

2/2/07 MJAC Support letters received from Governor Riley, Terry Everett, Bobby Bright (Mayor, Montgomer) and Jimmy Lunsford (Troy). Proposal submitted to the Chancellor 1/29/07. Chinese I is on the schedule for Fall 2007 (Troy campus).

2/22/07 MJAC Final Confucius Proposal delivered to Chancellor Hawkins for review.

2/26/07 MJAC Request for new lecturer position in Chinese Language & Studies was sent to Dr. Roach for consideration.

3/15/07 MJAC The completed Confucius Proposal was sent to Mr. Yan Xue Qian, Deputy Director of the China Youth Center for International Exchange and to Director Li Xiangkun of Hubei University.

March 2007 MJAC Chinese I • beginning conversational Chinese has been added to the Department of Classical & Modern Languages curriculum for fall 2007.

April 2007 MJAC Lecturer position approved.

5/11/07 MJAC Completed package was sent to Zha Weiping, Consul General, Education Office, Consulate of the Peoples Republic of China, Houston, TX.

5/15/07 MJAC There are 14 students registered for Chinese I for fall 2007.

5/16/07 MJAC The Classical & Modern Language Search Committee has received approximately 30 applications for the proposed lecturer's position in Chinese. The committee has met and identified their top candidate, Mrs. Li Kun Zeng, who is currently living in Troy, AL. The search committee also recommends we not fill the lecturer position this year but hire an adjunct instead for 3 courses for 2007-08. If enrollments warrant and/or the Confucius Institute is approved, we would fill this lecturer position for fall 2008-09.

Fall 2007: Chinese I: Beginning conversational Chinese I

Spring 2008: Chinese I: Beginning conversational Chinese I; Chinese II: Beginning conversational Chinese II

If and when Mr. Zha approves our proposal, it will be forwarded to the Chinese Language Institute (Educational Office of China).

No timetable has been given to us by the Houston Office.

7/8/07 mjac Dr. Porter traveled to China in June and continued Troy's pursuit of a Confucius Institute.

7/26/07 MJAC The Confucius Institute proposal has been finished, printed and mailed to the Houston Office. A delegation from Houston is coming to Troy on August 2-3 to discuss the merits of awarding a CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE to Troy University. Arlene Jackson from AASCU is flying in to assist with the presentation.

August 2007 mjac Dr. Bill Zhong has been hired as an adjunct to teach Introduction to Chinese Language for fall 2007. He has 20+ students enrolled in the class. (Dr. Zhong is full-time in the Department of Math & Physics).

August 2007 mjac Meeting with Houston CI headquarters was a success. They have endorsed our proposal to Hanban.

October 10, 2007 mjac Confucius Institute officially awarded to Troy University. Chancellor Hawkins, Dr. Roach, Dr. Ingram and Dr. Porter traveled to China for the formal ceremony.

Nov 20, 2007 mjac Cochran, Hines, Ingram and Porter are working on the CI budget proposal and details of structuring the CI at Troy.

Dec 5, 2007 mjac Cochran and Porter will travel to China to attend the 2nd Annual Confucius Institute Conference and meet with the officials at our partner university, Hebei Normal University of Science & Technology.

December 2007 - Appropriate paperwork has been submitted to Dr. Roach requesting the hiring of an Associate Professor to serve as the Director of the CI as well as teach courses for the institute / Chinese studies.

Jan 2, 2008 mjac Dr. Cochran attended the 2nd Annual Confucius Institute Conference and the 1st Annual Training Workshop for Confucius Directors. More than 400 administrators from around the world participated and incredible contacts were made. Cochran met with President Tang and Mr. Qin (Vice President for the CI - Hebei) and discussed the upcoming Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and the procedure for recruiting teaching faculty for the CI.

February 12, 2008 mjac Official letters of invitation were sent to President Tang and his entourage (total 7 administrators + 1 interpreter for the week of April 27 - May 2nd. Working with Marcus Paramour, Dave Barron and Mr. Sun, we're trying to schedule the official ribbon cutting day for Thursday, May 1st in coordination with the Board of Trustees meeting.

March 31, 2008 mjac, 80% FINAL DATE of Confucius Institute Ceremony set for TUESDAY, JUNE 17th. There will be 9 guests (plus interpreter) from China. They have requested meetings with both the CI and Center for International Business Development. Budget request of \$100,000 submitted to Hanban March 1st. Awaiting funding.

April 22, 2008 mjac Funding from Hanban still pending.

May 22, 2008 mjac Plans continue for Gala Opening, June 17, 2008. 140 invitations sent, 10 Chinese visitors from Hebei Normal University of Science and Technology will attend. The governor of Alabama has been invited. Still waiting for funding from Hanban. Search committee has identified 2 outstanding applicants for the CI Director's position.