## International Field Trip – Belize Meeting #2 Agenda – EB 223 Friday, November 14th, 2014 3:00 – 5:00

- Announcements
  - o IFE Field Experience Courses
  - Ministry of Education Application due December 1st
- Documentary Film Showing
  - Each IFE participant will be expected to create a short documentary about a social/educational issue or idea
- Issues and Concerns from Past Trips
  - Get your passports and make sure they haven't expired!
  - Emergency Services
    - Check out links on agenda for emergency health services
      - HTH Worldwide Insurance
        - Included in trip cost
        - Maybe have money for emergencies (medical reasons) debit or credit card
        - Email should be coming soon with more information
      - US Embassy in Belize website for more information
      - Make sure you carry any of your prescription meds with you or a copy of it
        - You could make a copy of your prescription in case of emergency
  - Social Media
    - Make sure that your social media sent from Belize is appropriate
    - Remember who you're friends with and what is posted
    - Don't be minions, ask to take pictures before you do
  - Behavior
    - Contract will be discussed and signed
    - Field Experience dismissal and removal
    - Important steps: end of semester grades, internship success, healthy communication with partnership teacher and professors
  - Reduce Risks
    - Keep a low profile and go with an open mind  $\bigcirc$
    - Always travel in groups of students all the time
    - Politely and directly say "No, thank you!" to unwanted gestures
      - Be polite but be direct as well
    - Midnight curfew Sun Thurs evening
      - Potentially a reason to send you home
    - Don't carry money you don't want to lose
      - This is just a safety precaution
      - Don't bring it if you don't want to lose it! (computers not included)
    - Don't be intoxicated in public
      - Remember you can't go anywhere where people don't know who you are. You will stick out like a sore thumb.
    - No illicit drug use
    - Wear sunscreen-don't be a lobster face!
  - o Financial
    - PLEASE have a budget!!
      - You are there for 5 weeks!
    - Some items on island are inexpensive while others are not

- HEAT!!!
  - Be prepared for the HOTTEST days you've experienced in Wilmington, every day
  - Bring what you need to survive the heat
- Budget
  - Student account charge will include
    - Stay at Pedro's
    - At least 3 excursions
    - Ground transportation
    - Cost of instructors
  - o Flight
    - Two flights (US $\rightarrow$ Belize international $\rightarrow$ San Pedro)
    - Use kayak price watch!
    - Don't book too soon, early January (?)
- Committees
  - Team Building
  - Service Projects
  - School Supplies
  - Student Governance
  - Communications
  - Fundraising
- Student Teaching
  - Internship placement
    - Your *responsibility* to make sure that your partnership teacher and your supervisor know that you are going to Belize and the timeline you will be subject to
  - Partnership teacher
- Next Meeting Friday, December 5th (3-5), EB Room 162