

# **DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**



**PURPOSE:** The WCC Diversity Committee is established to underscore the college's commitment to infusing diversity into day-to-day operations, affirm identity, build community, cultivate leadership, and reflect the District's commitment to an inclusive environment for all students, staff and faculty. The committee's work will build upon the *Diversity Framework* for *Institutional Transformation and Cultural Competency* as developed by the YCCD Diversity Project Team and ideas of WCC faculty, staff, and students.

Members Present: Genevieve Siwabessy (co-chair), Melissa Moreno (co-chair), Isabel Duenas (Student

Engagement), Neli Gonzalez-Diaz (Counseling Faculty), Laurie Daly (FT/ECE/LCC)

Members Absent: Rajdeep Johal (Full-Time), Mary Sharlow (LCC/Part-Time Faculty)

Vacancies: classified professional, WCC student, LCC student, CCC student

**Recorder:** Marrisa Boswell (Student Services)

#### **MINUTES**

Friday, October 26, 2018 10:30AM-11:30AM WCC ROOM 101 / LCC-CCC by phone 530-668-2581

- I. Introductions
- II. Approval of Agenda Approved
- III. Approval of Minutes October 12, 2018 Approved
- **IV. Review Committee Effectiveness Survey** 
  - Committee goals need to be informed by the Diversity Survey and its assessment of the campus climate.
  - Concerns about lack of staff, resources, and funding to infuse diversity into day-to-day campus activities.
  - **ACTION:** Gen collected notes from the discussion and will use it to complete the Committee Effectiveness form for consideration at the next meeting.

# V. 18-19 Proposed Diversity Committee Event List

- President's response last year led the committee to believe that the event list should not have been distributed without prior approval from the College Council and Academic Senate.
- Event list will be brought to cabinet to identify possible funding sources for remaining spring 2019 activities.
- ACTION: Review LCC's scheduled events for 18-19 and WCC's proposed events for Spring 19.

# **VI. Funding of Diversity Committee**

- Woodland Cultural Events Series Foundation Account \$378.00; WCC Outreach & Engagement Foundation Account \$330.00; Total from these accounts \$708.00
- Will find out about the process of applying for a foundation account grant.
- Ethnic studies could work on a grant as well for cultural events.
- It was shared that Dean Martinez is working to identify possible funding for Diversity Committee supported events through Student Equity funds.

# **VII. Updates & Public Comment**

- **Diversity Survey:** Gen has requested for College Council to consider the Diversity Survey and will follow up with the outcome of the discussion.
  - 1. Should we take to Academic Senate?
    - Diversity committee is under both Senate and College Council.
    - Full time faculty on the committee will bring forward to Academic Senate looking for endorsement and support.
- **Event Funding Support:** Hopeful and glad to hear that there may be funding to be able to put these events on.
- **Multicultural Center:** Propose hosting a multicultural center forum to revitalize the center and invite the stakeholders both on and off campus people.
- **Membership:** Jeanine Mullin is off the committee.
  - 1. **ACTION:** Call out for new full-time faculty.
- VI. Emerging Interests Tabled
  - A. Multicultural Center Program Plan
  - **B. Diversity Plan Review**
- VII. Next Meeting, Friday, November 9, 10:30am-11:30am