



Committee for Diversity, Action, Inclusion and Equity (CDAIE)

Meeting Minutes
Friday February 3, 2017
VPSS Conference Room, 4th floor I400 Bldg, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

***In Attendance:** Judy Sundayo (Counseling), Claudia Perkins (Site Compliance), Ryan Mongelluzzo (Anthropology), Bijan Izadi (ASG), Jen Carmichael (Biology), Waverly Ray (Geography), Melissa Tantiono (ASG), Zamira Yusufjonova-Abman (History), Olivia Puentes-Reynolds (Community), Mona King (Counseling), Jazmine Lahbabi (Student), Lauren Wade (Accounting), Kim Salas (LRC), Sue Shrader-Hanes (Student Health), Michael Harrison (Languages), Denise Rogers (Fine Art).*

- I. **INTRODUCTORY VIDEO** Everyone watched a short video clip having to do with Black History Month
- II. **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS** Those attending introduced themselves & shared personal updates.
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES** The minutes will be made available at a later date
- IV. **ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS**
 - A. **Meeting with President Luster:** Judy shared about her meeting with President Luster, indicating that the President was still very supportive of our objectives and activities. The President will be in attendance at our April 7th meeting.
 - B. **Cultural Events Coordination & Campus Collaborations:** SEPIA Collaboration active for Black History Month events.
 - C. **CDAIE Smile of the Month:** Judy announced that Kim had agreed to coordinate the CDAIE Salutes a Smile activity, since she is in an ideal position in the LRC to see a lot of faculty and staff.
 - D. **Diversity Website:** Judy announced that the college will be making changes to our Committee page on the Diversity Website in order to establish uniformity among all the college committee websites.
 - E. **CDAIE Give a Kahoot:** Judy announced the need for someone to take the lead on coordinating the CDAIE Give a Kahoot project. Bijan volunteered to undertake this project.
 - F. **Student Diversity Club:** It was announced that the Student Diversity Club would be sponsoring the 2nd Annual Student Diversity Club Luncheon and Table Talks on February 24th from 12 – 2 pm just outside of G-103 --the Osani Circle (Black Studies & Chicano Studies Dept.).
 - G. **Future Safe Zone Trainings:** Michael announced that the SafeZone Flex training that had been anticipated for January 2017 was postponed because both City and Miramar Colleges had scheduled SafeZone trainings during that timeframe and the thinking was that it was preferable to be supportive of those events and arrange for our training at a later date. The next training date for SafeZone at Mesa will be announced at the next meeting.

H. Deaf Awareness Conference: Tabled until next meeting when Leslie is present.

I. Cultural Unity Week/Festival of Colors: It was announced that Cultural Unity Week/Festival of Colors will take place April 10 – 14th 2017. Denise agreed to coordinate the vendors. She will find out whether food vendors will be allowed on campus this year. Judy agreed to coordinate the other events/activities for that week. Members gave a number of ideas for the kinds of activities they would like to see. Waverly offered support from her class on either MW 2:20-3:45 for perhaps a film or the Conversation with Elders event. Denise offered support from her class on either TTh 12:45-2:10 for Prince Ea “Labels” video discussion. Zamira offered support from her class on MW 11:10-12:35 for a Discussion on the Middle East, perhaps “Diversity of the Middle East Region.” Jen offered support from her class on Wednesday afternoon for a workshop looking at Biology Vs. the Social Construction of Race. The themes suggested for the week included “We are Stronger Together” and “Cultural Collaborations Make Us Stronger.” A draft of the week’s activities will be presented at next month’s meeting.

V. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS There were no subcommittee reports.

VI. EVENT REPORTS

- A. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade.** Some felt that the float Mesa College entered into the parade was not up to standards, in fact, was kind of embarrassing. Claudia appreciated the feedback and reported that there were fewer people helping with the float this year with shorter preparation time. Members gave suggestions for improvement, including involving students in a contest for the best float design. Claudia will take the suggestions to Student Affairs.
- B. Rosa Parks Birthday Recognition.** The event was well attended and well-publicized. The event was covered by local news media. President Luster has indicated she would like the event to be an annual celebration.

VII. UPCOMING EVENTS

- A. An Afternoon with Sonia Sanchez** Feb. 23rd 12:30 -2:30 pm, MC 211 A/B
- B. Annual Student Diversity Club Luncheon,** Feb. 24th, 12:00 – 2 pm, G-103 outside area (Osani Circle)
- C. Ask Yo Mama: 12 Moods of Jazz (the Langston Hughes Project),** Feb. 27th 7-9 pm, G-101
- D. Film: Walk all Night, A Drum Beat Journey:** Feb. 28th, 6-9 pm, MC211 A/B

VIII. NEXT MEETING

Friday, March 3th, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

I4-402, VPSS Conference Room, 4th FLOOR, I400 BLDG.