

*President's Committee on Diversity***MINUTES**

November 18, 2016

- I.** Call to order – Jessica Cruz
The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m.
- Attendees: Jill Compton, Rachel Harris, Rachel Klitzke, Janet Koski, Susan Morgan, Don Peterman, Martin Reinhardt, Andre Stringer, Kevin Stulz, Tracy Wascom, Jessica Cruz and Marlina Martínez.
- II.** Approval of agenda and minutes
- a. Approval of agenda for 11/18/16
Motion by Compton, second by Wascom, motion approved.
 - b. Approval of minutes from 9/16/16
Motion by Wascom, second by Stringer, motion approved.
- III.** Diversity Common Reader – Tracy Wascom
Discussion: Book distribution will be January 20, bookmarks will be printed in spring, students will assist in designing the posters/graphics. It was proposed that the DCR committee work with Terry Delpier and CTL to collaborate on events/items for faculty to participate in. Other projects are still in the works.
- Motion for Susan Morgan to distribute DCR book from last year without revenue. Motion by Harris, second by Wascom, motion approved.
- IV.** Membership – Jessica Cruz
Membership applicants were discussed.
- Motion to approve the three faculty applicants and assign their terms according to application date, with the applicant who applied first getting the longest term (Belton, Essila, Hightower). Motion by Wascom, second by Reinhardt, motion approved
 - Motion to approve the following student applicants (Gerathy, Glenn, Riyas) and a fourth contingent on any of the three not accepting or an opening occurs before end of Winter semester (Krause). Motion by Stringer, second by Harris, motion approved.
 - Motion to approve the community applicant David Boyd. Motion by Wascom, second by Compton, motion approved.
 - Motion to approve the community applicant Victoria Leonhardt. Motion by Compton, second by Peterman, motion approved.
 - Motion to approve the community applicant Joe Heck. Motion by Reinhardt, second by Stringer, motion approved two abstentions.
- V.** Diversity and Inclusion Officer Update – Jessica Cruz
- a. Budget Mini-Grant Update
Since both GWG and PCOD approved combining budgets, meetings were held on the process itself. It is based on Ferris' current model. The amounts and specific wording are being
 - b. BSU on Wheels Trip
Students (12) from BSU travelled to Chicago and Detroit to visit area schools.

- c. NACME, Oneida Nation College Fair, State of Latinos in West Michigan
- d. Diversity Student Alliance (tentative title)

Students wanted to re-start an organization/council that will allow orgs to work together on events, funding, participation, etc. ODI will support in helping the students to structure this council.

- e. Advertising for admissions position in Minnesota
Position available in MN for admissions counselor. Talk to Jessica for more info

VI. Post-election Climate and Strategies

Discussion: Be aware that students (and other constituents) may be feeling an array of emotions. Let students know that there are resources for them including Counseling, MERC, and other offices on campus. NMU stands behind its Non-discrimination policy.

VII. MLK Update – Rachel Harris, Shirley Brozzo

On 1/16 the march for equality will take place at 12:00 p.m. beginning in Magers/Meyland lobby toward the Peter White Lounge in the UC. Speakers and refreshments will follow in PWL. Other speakers during the week are planned

VIII. Programming

a. Upcoming events

- Diversity Common Reader student distribution will be 1/20, 1:30-3 p.m. in the Hedcock atrium.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Submitted by Marlina Martínez