Chancellor’s Council on Diversity and Inclusive Excellence

April 9th, 2015 Minutes

Members Present: Brenda Amenson-Hill (DOS), Michael Casbourne (TRIO), Stacie Christian, chair (Coordinator of Inclusive Excellence and Pride Center), Joanie Dovekas (Res Life), Scott Furlong (Dean, Lib. Arts & Sciences), Justin Mallett (Director of American Intercultural Center), Lynn Niemi (Disability Services), Jen Lanter (CATL), Minkyu Lee (Art & Design), Sue Mattison (Dean, Prof. Studies), Kimberley Reilly (Democracy and Justice &,Studies), Subcommittee chairs: Kate Burns, Melissa Nash

Members Not Present: Kim Desotell (Phuture Phoenix Director of Dev. Programming), Lorenzo Lones (student liaison), Nicole Miller (Human Dev. Academic Dept. Assoc.), Adam Parrillo (Urban & Reg. Studies), Grace Vecchie (Student liaison), Camara Wallace (Student liaison), Forrest Brooks (Outreach and Adult Access), Liz Peterson (Student liaison), Bryan Carr, (Info. and Computing Science), Joanne Dolan (Information Processing Consult), Sheryl Van Gruensven (HR),

**Subcommittee reports**:

**Inclusivity in the Classroom: Kate Burns**

They are currently working on collecting data from departments as to the reason why attendance is low for the Inclusive Excellence certificate series. April 21st is a presentation on employing minorities with disabilities at the Koch Center.

**Inclusive Workplace: Melissa Nash**

The bi-annual new employee social will be in August. A workplace survey was sent to new University and Academic staff. The University staff’s response was similar to the previous survey. They are happy overall and would like more information on community resources. Academic staff is not as happy, they would like a mentor program.

Employee resource groups: Guidelines are being created for groups. The Pride Center group is going well and several other groups are in the works. Brenda Amenson-Hill offered to head up a parents group.

**Student Mentorship: Brenda Amenson-Hill**

Ameeting is scheduled for April 19th with 8 students that want to be peer mentors. The student mentors are excited about the program and are willing to do this without pay but suggest having pass points to take new students for a soda and snack. The committee would like to create a fact sheet about faculty mentors and give new students the choice of mentors. The committee would like to promote this to the Phoenix Start program.

**Community Relationships: Justin Mallett**

Justin met with the Executive Committee of Oneida to discuss having more students and alumni to get involved at UWGB. The students’ first choice for school is NWTC, UWGB, Concordia and Oshkosh. The committee will help in locating the first 4 Oneida students that attended UWGB. The hope is to have them attend the 50th Anniversary Celebration. The Boys and Girls Club would like to bring two buses of children to UWGB for a race relations event.

**Spring 2015 Certificate Series programs: Stacie Christian**

The same people seem to be attending the certificate series. Responses from the surveys are that people like the panel perspective. Suggestions for other series are: Hmong culture, 1st generation college students, autism and social economics. There will be certificate series held in the summer

Next meeting is scheduled for May 5th 11am-12pm in room 1965