

### DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE MINUTES NOVEMBER 4, 2019, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM GLENDALE ROOM

# I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Matthew Contreras at 11:32am.

# II. Roll Call

| Present  | Absent | Staff           | Guest (s) |
|--|--------|-----------------|-----------|
| Melanie Alvarez Rojas (Co-<br>Chair) <i>Left Meeting at</i><br>12:00pm |        | Freddie Sánchez |           |
| Matthew Contreras (Chair)  |        |                 |           |
| Albert Martinez  |        |                 |           |
| Shaileen Martinez  |        |                 |           |
| Alexandra Meza   |        |                 |           |
| Denise Nguyen  |        |                 |           |
| Richard Rachman  |        |                 |           |
| Javetta Watson   |        |                 |           |

#### III. Open Forum

None

IV. Approval of Agenda

M/S (R.Rachman/D.Nguyen) Motion to approve meeting agenda for November 4, 2019. M/S/P (A.Meza/J.Watson) Motion to amend agenda to include Approval of Committee Minutes.

Amendment Passed (7-0-0) Motion, as amended, passed (7-0-0).

- V. Approval of Committee Minutes
  M/S/P (J.Watson/R.Rachman) Motion to approve minutes from meeting on October 7, 2019.
  *Motion Passed (7-0-0)*
- VI. Chair's Report

Met with various student organizations:

• Asian American Studies Pathway Project (AASPP): Met with interns, advisors and people work with the department. Received insight about API students, Chair & Co-

Chair asked what type of support they needed. AASPP wants to become a resource center for Asian American, API and Asian international students. The AASPP program can be a part of the Center but not the Center. There is a barrier to Glenn Omatsu house because of distance. There is a connection with Asian American Studies (AAS) and some students feel that you must be an AAS to visit the house. They currently have Campus Quality Fee Funding (CQF) and want to apply for grants.

- Muslim Student Association: In Spring 2019 they asked for the USU to extend their reservation which they were approved. They've asked for a larger prayer room, the orientation of the Reflection/Meditation/Prayer Room in the ECC is not conducive for enough people to pray at the same time. They've asked if the USU committee is interested in visiting UCLA's prayer room to get an idea of something that could work.
- Revolutionary Scholars: Meeting on Tuesday, November 5th in the USU Internal Room. We will be asking about their needs. Who are they serving? Who are they not serving? Possible committee members attending meeting: Albert, Shaileen, Javetta & Alexandra.
- Black Leadership Council: Meeting on November 7th from 3:00pm 4pm in the USU Internal Conference Room. Possible committee members attending the meeting: Richard, Alexandra and Javetta.

# VII. Action Items

A. Committee Goals

M/S/ (A. Meza/ A. Martinez) Motion to approve Diversity & Inclusion Committee Goals for 2019-2020.

M/S/P A. Meza/ J.Watson) Motion to amend committee goal number 2 to add "and other entities that request services/resources from the USU in order"

- i. Research on/off-campus services that will support students in the USU that are currently not offered or need further enhancement in the USU. Initial brainstorm of ideas will be shared by each committee member on December 9th. Final report will be collected in March 2020.
- ii. Meet with Black Leadership Council, Asian American Studies Pathway Project, Muslim Student Association, Revolutionary Scholars and *other entities that request services/resources from the USU in order* to understand the need for their respective organizations and to work collaboratively with Facilities & Commercial Services on developing a criteria for housing new programs/services in the USU.
- iii. Assist in developing the name, infrastructure, design and program service conceptualization regarding the cross cultural center/U-RISE Unity in Race, Intersectionality, Social and Environmental Justice Center.

Amendment Passed (6-0-0) Motion, as amended, passed (6-0-0).

- VIII. Discussion Items
  - A. Cross Cultural Center Name

The U-RISE Committee is coming up with a new name, we will discuss name in the U-RISE committee.

- B. Updates on community organizations Be prepared at next meetings to discuss where each individual member is with the process of speaking with community organizations. Chair asked committee if they had questions or needed structure for their community organizations. No structure is needed at the moment.
- C. U-RISE Justice Center Representative Alexandra is only committee member available to participate in U-RISE meetings. She will be attending the next meeting.

# IX. Announcements

None

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm

Respectfully Submitted by

Freddie Sanchez Executive Secretary