UNIVERSITY STUDENT UNION
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday, April 1st 2025 from 3:00 to 4:00 pm
Location: USU Conference Room

I. Call to Order
   A. Committee Chair Rudy Granillo called the meeting to order at 3:12 pm

II. Land Acknowledgment
   A. Committee Co-Chair, Granillo provided the following land acknowledgment: California State University, Northridge (CSUN) and the University Student Union (USU) recognize and acknowledge the Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, the First People of this ancestral and unceded land base of the village of Sesevenga that is occupied by our institution. We honor their Elders, past, present, and future. We recognize that the Fernandeño Tataviam are still here, and are committed to uplifting their stories, culture, and community. Upholding CSUN's value to respect all people and by our alliances with local communities, we have a responsibility to acknowledge and make visible the University's relationship with the Tribe. By offering this Land Acknowledgement, we affirm their sovereignty and will work to hold the campus community accountable to the needs of American Indian peoples in the region.

III. Roll Call (phonetic spelling)

Present	Absent	Staff	Guest(s)
Rudy Granillo	Caitlin Goodwin	Natalie Johnson (Assistant Executive Secretary)	
Karim Kouatly	Cesar Rosales	Dr. Tari Hunter (Executive Secretary)	
Jane Martorana			
Leo Chou			
Amelia Zapata (arrival 3:15 pm)			
Deekshitha Chavalla (virtual)			

We have Quorum

IV. Approval of Agenda April 1, 2025

M/S/P (K. Kouatly / L.Chou) Motion to approve agenda for April 1, 2025

Motion Passed 4-0-0

V. Approval of the Minutes February 18, 2025

M/S/P (K.Kouatly / L.Chou) Motion to approve minutes from February 18, 2025
Motion Passed 4-0-0

VI. Open Forum

VII. Action Items

A. Spring 2025 committee meeting dates

M/S/P (K. Kouatly / L.Chou)

Motion Passed 5-0-0

Discussion

- In person meetings moving forward
- Chair shared final meeting dates

B. Amend 2024-2025 Diversity & Inclusion Committee goals

M/S/P (K. Kouatly / L.Chou)

Motion Passed 5-0-0

Discussion

None

VIII. Discussion Items

A. Updates from A.S. & DREAM Center meetings

- Chair Rudy Granillo shared last met with Dream Center and AS on February 26th in meeting discussed fellowships and using QR's for visibility of know your rights
- Chair Rudy Granillo shared need to follow up on actions and meet again with AS and Dream Center with committee
- Chair Rudy Granillo shared we would like to have one meeting in April and one meeting in May then discuss actions after planning meetings to the USU BOD
- Secretary Hunter shared AS offered about $20k funds to Dream Center and we have opportunity to offer funds for the Dream Center, we have possibly match funds
- Team discussed differences between fellowship and internships and history of scholarships within the USU

B. Goal #1: Action steps

- Chair Rudy Granillo shared options to expand know your rights visibility and fellowships within the USU

- Secretary Hunter shared importance of breaking down action items for each goals
- Secretary Hunter offered committee doing research on best practices on fellowships in know your rights, fellowships, mental health, etc.
- Chair Rudy Granillo will share whiteboard where committee can put ideas
- Secretary Johnson will share website where committee can start to research ideas
- Committee send research on fellowships and know your rights due by April 8th

IX. Announcements

A. Committee bonding Sunday, April 13th at 1:00 pm

B. USU BOD Committee meeting Monday, April 7th from 12:30 to 2:30 pm in Grand Salon

C. D&I committee meeting Tuesday, April 15th 3:00 to 4:00 pm in person

D. Trans Day of Visibility today

X. Adjournment

A. Chair Granillo adjourned the meeting at 3:57 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalie Johnson

Assistant Executive Secretary

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