



**University Student Union  
California State University, Northridge  
Diversity and Inclusion Committee**

**Agenda**

**Wednesday, March 2, 2022 | 9:00am – 10:00am**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 898 8517 3657 Password: 811226**

**Link:** <https://csun.zoom.us/j/89885173657?pwd=MEN2V3l4Qk8welluL2Q2N2xSVTQxZz09>

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**I. Call to Order**

Committee Chair Robert Jacome called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

**II. Land Acknowledgement**

Committee Chair, Robert Jacome provided the following land acknowledgement:  
*The University Student Union recognizes and acknowledges the Sesevitam, the first people of this ancestral and unceded territory of Sesevenga that is now occupied by our institution; and it honors their elders, past and present, and the Sesevitam descendants who are citizens of the Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians. We recognize that the Sesevitam are still here and we are committed to uplifting their stories, culture, and community.*

**III. Roll Call**

Present	Absent	Staff	Guest(s)
Ayana Galves*		Audrey Martinez *(Executive Secretary)	
SaMya Griffin*		Ayan Jama* (Assistant Secretary)	
Robert Jacome*			
Daniel Lopez*			
Maygin McEwen*			
Janessa Reyes*			

*\*Zoom video participant*

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

M/S/P (M.Mcewen/S.Griffin) Motion to approve agenda for March 2, 2022.

***Motion Passed 5-0-0.***

**V. Approval of Minutes 2/16/22\***

M/S/P (M.Mcewen/J.Reyes) Motion to approve minutes from February 16, 2021.

***Motion Passed 5-0-0.***

**VI. Open Forum**

No discussion.

**VII. Chair's Report**

Chair Jacome took the time to check-in with the members. He emphasized the focus on moving the land acknowledgement goal forward, and shared that the student body should have a better idea of what the BOD D&I Committee's purpose was. Co-chair Ayana was also welcomed back for the first time following the birth of her son.

**VIII. Discussion Items**

A. 21-22 Committee Goals

- Increased outreach to CSUN students
- Request goals from other BOD committees
- Send email of solidarity with other BOD committees
- Drop-in on other BOD committees
- Create a "how-to" video for different resources featuring BOD committee members
- Land acknowledgment statement for all USU meetings and programs
  - i. Choosing a goal/project to initiate and direction for the spring semester
  - ii. Determine action plan

Next Steps:

- Chair Jacome will be reaching out through email to materialize something for the land acknowledgement. Shared the idea of filming and recording the land acknowledgement as presented by a tribe member and using this video for meetings and events.
- There was discussion to contact tribes further down in SoCal. to see if these tribes could help start a fund to build a Native American House on campus.
- Other ideas from the committee included:
  - A reach out to the American Indian Student Association (AISA) as they may already have a relationship with the tribe.
  - Collaborating with the American Indian Studies Department to bring more awareness and education
  - Finding out what services and resources are currently available for the American Indian students and community
  - Partnering with the Dei Internal Work team for synergy
  - Creating a proposal to the Board of Directors

- Inviting Oasis Manager Richard Cardona to present on their DEIG funded project focusing on awareness and empowerment of the native community

## **IX. Announcements**

- Committee member Lopez hosted an open zoom forum focusing on how identity has impacted the experience of CSUN students on campus. He shared themes reflected in the discussion including the importance of finding people with similar identities make them feel safe and welcome, altogether students are looking for a sense of belonging.
- Committee Assistant Secretary Jama highlighted the committee for their attendance and support at various events. A special acknowledgement was mentioned for committee member Reyes and Lopez for helping with Latinx Welcome in February. Committee member Griffin was also thanked for being part of the DEI Work Team
- Committee Member Reeyes share information about the upcoming CDSC event. It was the screening of “Exterminate All the Brutes” and guest lecture from Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz. The event is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2022 from 4 PM – 6 PM. Link: <https://tinyurl.com/HBOBrutes>
- Committee Member McEwen shared the continuing Housing Project Fundraisin for Project Rebound going through April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Committee Executive Secretary Martinez shared the upcoming President Investiture event taking place on March 14<sup>th</sup>, as well as the Kick-Back event in the afternoon from 3 PM – 5 PM.
- Committee Chair Jacome wished presenters for the CDSC Symposium luck and gratitude for their time taking part and presenting at the event.

## **X. Adjournment**

Chair Jacome adjourned the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Audrey Rose M. Martinez  
Executive Secretary

## **XI.**

*\*Denotes attachment*