



Diversity Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2013 9:00 am – 10:30 am
North Mankato Heritage Hall
Minutes

Members present: Ann Anderson, Johnna Horton, Tracy Stokes-Hernandez, Ricki Walters, Jennifer Ceminsky, Sandra Woods, Kathi Rusch, Steve Pottenger, Xavion Turey, Al Kluever, Kristin Cronn-Mills, Dan Zielske

Changes to the Agenda: Discussion Items: Quiet Space, Diversity Champions Training Wrap-up were tabled until the April meeting.

Ann Anderson moved to approve the agenda with the above changes and Al Kluever seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes: Kathi Rusch moved to approve the minutes as written; Xavion Turey seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion Items:

Quiet Space: Tabled

Logo: Ann will scan and send the top 3-5 choices. We need to make a decision at the April 10th meeting so the student can be notified and presented with prize.

Student Presentation: Tracy Stokes-Hernandez talked about SCC student, Sawdatu Iddrisu, who presented to the Faribault student body about her recent Hajj. Tracy suggested that Sawdatu could present at North Mankato as well. The committee agreed and chose noon on April 17th as a possible date. Johnna will follow up with room scheduling and ordering food. Tracy will follow up with Sawdatu to confirm date and time. The Diversity Committee will pay for snacks.

Workshop for faculty at SCSU: Nancy Genelin sent an email to Johnna and Jane asking if this would be something the Diversity Committee could fund. Johnna will send the email to the group. Discussion may have to happen in advance of the April 10 meeting because the cheaper registration deadline is April 15.

Work Groups:

Community Outreach: Al has been added to this group, otherwise nothing new to report.

Website: Steve and Johnna showed the group the Diversity calendar. Steve will make sure that those events are included in the main SCC calendar of events as well. It was decided that any events people need added can be emailed to Johnna and she will take care of updating the calendar.

Employee Training: Waiting for the outcome of the Campus Events Calendar work group to avoid duplication. There has been some discussion about using some of the films Bukata referenced. There is also the possibility of some Diversity Committee presence at employee onboarding sessions.

Student Outreach/Involvement: Kirstin reported on the next What's Your Story? event. It will be held April 18th in Heritage Hall from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. This is a joint effort of TRiO, Student life, and the Diversity Committee. Tracy said that Student Life and TRiO plans to continue the events in future semesters. It's unclear what will happen in Faribault for this type of event. Xavion mentioned that our new Assistant Director of Student Life, Nicole Hamilton, has background in diversity work and is interested in participating. The Diversity Allies training is running again. This training is for students. 10 students signed up. It will be held March 21 from 3-5 via ITV. Dan Zielske also mentioned that the Mahkato Pow-Wow is always the third week in September and would be a great time to get people to come speak because they will already be in the area.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 am.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, 2013. The meeting will be held on the North Mankato Campus in Heritage Hall from 9 am – 12 pm.