

COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY AND EQUITY (CODE) MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 12.04.17

Approved: 02.05.18

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:39pm.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was taken.

Voting Members: Tabzeera Dosu, Bronwyn Fields, Philip Flickinger, Jamie Hoffman (absent), Elvia Ramirez, Khal Schneider, Ebony Williams (absent), David Zeigler (absent)

Non-Voting/Ex-Officio Members: William Bishop (absent), Julian Heather (absent), Noel Mora

GUESTS: None

OPEN FORUM:

- Tabzeera reported re final DACA resolution references to the number of DACA recipients were removed, minor wordsmithing, then approved.
- Discussion re interim ICE policy.
- Diversity Council met on November 16th discussed Executive Director's transition plan (team in place to assist). Chancellor's office issued a call for proposals for advancing faculty diversity (submitted by Robin Carter). ADA position recruitment ongoing.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Moved: Khal Schneider/Tabzeera Dosu. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM 11/06/2017:

Moved: Khal Schneider/Bronwyn Fields. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

- **a. Elections:** Elvia nominated Tabzeera as Chair (accepted). Unanimously elected. Bronwyn will continue as Vice Chair.
- b. **Referral: Policies related to individuals with disabilities:** Discussion re response to Hellen Lee's memo. Agreed that it may be prudent and necessary to form a small task force to work on these policies. Recommendation: establish a taskforce by the end of Fall 2017, with CODE participation. CODE nominated Tabzeera to be our representative on this Taskforce. Noel suggested and committee agreed we recommend that a student representative be included in the taskforce. Elvia will respond to Hellen Lee's memo will circulate response to CODE members before sending to Hellen Lee. Discussion re who should be on the Taskforce those included in the memo represent a foundational group of experts, but others might be included such as a student representative, HR, IRT.



- c. **CODE committee vacancies**: Tabzeera will address this next semester.
- d. **Future focus of CODE:** Do we want to address topics / issues directly as well as respond to requests from Senate? Ideas suggested included:
 - i. Noel: Centers for Diversity and Inclusion do a lot of conferences and other activities. Generally mostly students attend these events, but when faculty are present there is broader interaction and contributions. Perhaps CODE could highlight / promote faculty participation?
 - ii. Tabzeera: Diversity Council is going to undertake a climate survey. Perhaps CODE could review this data once available. Also other data that indicates success in general and for diverse student bodies. Perhaps invite Francis James Dragna to present graduation data next semester?
 - iii. Noel: Resolution being considered by ASI related to more inclusive language. Proposed first by Women's Resource Center ("you guys" challenge). Perhaps CODE could be involved with this for example by bringing a Faculty resolution forward?
 - iv. Tabzeera encouraged committee members to consider these and other topics / issues and bring ideas to next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at: 2.38pm