

MEETING NOTES - FMAC
2/2/2018

Present: Jesse Perez, Andrea Herrera (guest), Stephen Suh, Max Shulman, Carlos Duarte, Maria Sergia Steen, Deborah Pina-Thomas, Edin Mujkic, Christina Martinez, Monica Yoo, George Cheney, Nick Martinez, Jeff Montez de Oca, Kimbra Smith.

Starting time 8:36

- I. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Recent and upcoming DACA events – Wed 2/7, 6pm, UC 302- screening of *Through the Eyes of Immigrants*.
 - b. Stephen Suh’s discussion panel on the S. Korean Olympics – UC 116, 5pm, Wed 2/7.
 - c. Max Shulman’s JUST TALK, March 1st, KFL 3rd floor apse.
- II. Approval of Minutes – Done retroactively (9:28) → Approved
- III. Intro of Andrea Herrera (present) – AVCIAA and her plans
 - a. Larger scope of the position. Mantra of: restore community and build relationships. Grassroots nature of the position. How to connect the disparate projects that are related to each other. Faculty training regarding trauma, mental health, disability in the classroom. Possibility of an annual summit on teaching and student success (issues of mentoring, bullying, support). Working with Office of Student Success.
 - b. A desire to have continued communication between her work and FMAC. She will have a regular presence at FMAC.
 - c. Envisions a pyramid with staff steering committee, student steering committee, positions from each college, connection with the Matrix center in a more significant way.
 - d. Diversity Summit slated for Tuesday, 3rd of April. Theme of Academic Freedom, Free Speech and Free Expression. Speakers and post-lunch panel that will feature members of our campus. To be followed by a Just Talk.
 - e. Questions: Concerns over this position’s budget and sway versus other campuses/ concerns over administration’s potential devaluing of students who, statistically, may be less likely to graduate. Questions of “merit” based acceptance that might lead to quicker and greater graduate numbers. Will we move away from SoCo students? Concerns that US News Reports rankings are becoming a central concern. Upcoming townhall with Chancellor regarding “our students” – worth our presence. Questions of larger systems of support and mentorship for faculty.
 - f. Request for a consolidation of information, programs, and efforts on campus that are working on these issues. Presently, all info is scattered.

AVCIIA as a potential hub. A centralization of information. Also, ways of connecting these people through events and meetings.

g. NB <https://www.uccs.edu/about/mission.html>

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- IV. Review of meeting with Chancellor and Provost from last semester – 4 initiatives proposed and under consideration. Will follow up with AVCIIA and collectively report to Chancellor and Provost to initiate these.
- V. 9:29 – Carlos brings up proposed changes to the FMAC mission/vision statements. To be distributed and reviewed – 2 week time frame to respond. To be discussed next meeting.
- VI. New website policies – to be discussed regarding what we want on the site, updates, and publicizing events from across the campus. Kimbra to send email to chain.
- VII. How would we like our interactions with AVCIIA to proceed? The majority seems to want a regular presence for each meeting to do an update. This will require us being prepared to discuss issues with her and make requests. Voted to request her presence at the **end of each meeting** (30 minutes, so from 10-10:30) to discuss with her.
- VIII. MINIGRANTS discussion – 9:40 – present total budget \$3147 per Nick Martinez
 - a. After consideration of all applications, we voted to award funds to seven recipients this semester. Information about projects receiving awards will be featured on our website.
- IX. Move to Adjourn