

## Faculty Minority Affairs Committee Report, February 2012

In attendance: Edgar Cota-Torres, Anthony Cordova, Christina Martínez, Marguerite Cantú, Zena Mello, Jeff Montez de Oca, Monica Yoo

December Minutes – Minutes approved with no corrections

Edgar Cota-Torres Report:

- We need volunteers to continue with the surveys. A list with new faculty will be emailed.
- The deadlines for the Rosa Parks and César Chávez scholarships have been extended.

Kee Warner, Anthony Cordova and Edgar Cota have met with the first three LAS Dean candidates. They will meet with the remaining three and will provide feedback with regards to diversity and multicultural issues.

Anthony Cordova Report:

- Kee Warner's Campus wide Diversity & Inclusiveness Goals were reviewed and the following announcement was made: second strategic planning event to be held next Wednesday, Feb 8 in Berger Hall. Sessions will take place at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., and 1 p.m.
- The committee talked about retention issues. Anthony mentioned that 80%-90% of freshmen take freshman seminar and that this has a positive impact on retention.
- CUOP "learning communities" Anthony outlined issues and details about international students
- Marguerite raised issues concerning with transfer students.
- Anthony mentioned that efforts need to continue as to how to connect students to campus community.
- Monica mentioned that the counseling and transfer center at UC Berkley was an excellent resource when she attended that institution.

Jeff Montez de Oca:

FORUMS:

February- Eddie and Edgar- Chicano Communities

March – homeless

April – Sustainability and economic development.

Edgar will contact Sam Frank to continue on the FMAC website update.

New Business:

- Travel forms were reviewed. Marguerite suggested adding deadline to request funds forms.
- Zena – Travel grant recipients should report back within one month.
- Zena will update travel forms.

Anthony shared that the Regents met during the week to discuss undocumented student tuition. The Regents supported the bill.

Travel proposals submitted by: Edgar Cota-Torres, Eddie Portillos and Zena Mello were presented. The three proposals were unanimously approved for \$250 each.

Next meeting March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012