Diversity for Community Committee
February 1, 2007-Meeting

Present: Kimberly Staples, Kevin Murray, Tiffany Powell, Mechelle Martinez, Christy Moran, Marilyn Kaff, and Teresa Miller

Meeting called to order by Kimberly Staples at 9:34am

I. A motion was made by Kimberly to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2006 minutes and was seconded by Christy. The motion was passed.

II. Old Business

A. Request for funding- Dr. Doris Wright-Carroll
   Discussion/Comments:
   • Dr. Carroll did satisfy the proposal funding guidelines.
   • Concern raised regarding post-hoc funding (Kevin)
   • In light of other funding issues, there may be needs to fund proposals post-hoc (Marilyn)
   • We might want to have a formal criteria in place (with some room-merit based) to fund these types of proposals (Mechelle)
   • Perhaps setting a funding limit for proposals (i.e.: funding per semester/year or per proposal)
   • Perhaps setting a reduced amount of funding for post-hoc proposals (Teresa)
   • Unanimous decision to continue to think about this issue, table it for a future meeting and bring ideas back during that time
   • Motion made by Teresa to approve entire amount of $500; seconded by Christy.
   • Kimberly will draft memo of proposal award and send memo both to Dr. Carroll and Dr. Griffin on behalf of the committee.
   • Current proposal funding guidelines will be forwarded to Pam.

B. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., DCC Sponsored Activities
   - Kimberly participated in the MLK march and the installation of the bust events. DCC was presented a certificate of appreciation for our funding support for the university-wide event.
   - The certificate was presented to Dean Holen at the faculty assembly meeting (Jan. 23, 2007) on behalf of the committee.
III. **New Business/Action Items**

**Student/Faculty Professional Development Activities**

A. Funded proposals for Spring 2007 (2 Brown Bag Lunches)
   - Dr. Be Stoney will discuss her experience at the Spelman College 3rd Annual Leadership Conference: “Building Bridges Among Us and With Others” in Atlanta, GA on Feb. 27, 2007 (12-1pm; BH 21)
   - Dr. Kay Taylor will present on Tilford Multicultural Competencies (NCORE) on March 28, 2007 (12-1; BH 21)
   - Kimberly will facilitate Dr. Stoney’s presentation on 2/27/07
   - Christy will facilitate Dr. Taylor’s presentation on 3/28/07
   - Flyers were designed by Mary Hammel and will be distributed and posted.
   - Marilyn will give evaluation forms to Christy for the 3/28 presentation.

B. Other professional development activities

   **Special Advisory Meeting Announcements**
   - Feb. 12, 2007; 3-5pm; A response to Ruby Payne’s perspective on poverty and the examination of other perspectives.
   - Mar. 12, 2007; 3-5pm; Presentation by Tilford Awardees
   - Apr. 9, 2007; 3-5pm; Teaching in the Rural Schools; presented by Bob Newhouse and Dr. Griffin (The Rural/Urban School Split)

   **Other Activities**
   - K-State has once again agreed to host the K/TESOL conference (Kevin); Date will be announced shortly.

**Lucille Pittard**

- As per a phone conversation Kimberly invited Mrs. Pittard to come and be apart of a DCC panel discussion.
- Mrs. Pittard has been working with our student aids (JCMS) on issues in reference to meaningful ways to get to know students; ideas such as effective questioning, awareness of cultural implications, etc.
- These ideas are in alignment with students' understanding and utilization of contextual factors.
- We would like to have Mrs. Pittard share these ideas with faculty and students.
- Mrs. Pittard would prefer a small audience; an alternative to a group discussion might be pod-cast recording as a venue for presentation; perhaps having a co-presenter (Marilyn).
- Kimberly will meet with Mrs. Pittard this weekend to further discuss details with her.
- We hope to have her come sometime in April
- An honorarium will be presented
Additional information will for forth coming

Mary Kay Stoffer

We will keep her in mind for a future professional development session (Teresa)

C. Professional Development Opportunities

- A flyer was distributed to the group.

IV. Other Items for Discussion

A. COE Website

- Kimberly shared that she has a student worker currently working on the site based on the group’s comments/suggestions and the development of the site is a work in progress.

B. Undergraduate Representation

- Mechelle has a few students in mind to fill this position. She will be forth coming with more information shortly.

C. Kimberly distributes a form that tabulates the responses from International Week presentation surveys. Results indicate that the presentations were well received.

- Individual comments are on file in Kimberly’s office and available for review.

- Kevin indicates that survey information will be included as a part of NCATE documentation.

- To date we are all caught up with proposal presentations.

- Dr. Carroll will be scheduled to present (based on approved funding) early Fall 2007 or during International Week (mid-Fall).

Meeting adjourned by Kimberly Staples at 10:16am

*Next Meeting: March 1, 2007 at 9:30 in BH 106

Respectfully submitted by Tiffany Powell