MEETING MINUTES

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY COMMITTEE

This meeting was facilitated both in-person and via an online Zoom format

Friday, February 3, 2023 10:20 p.m. BMU 302

Members Present: Ebby Saeidah, Aki Enkhtur, Chelsea Wedington, Katherine Hewitt, Kendra Wright, Raquel Lee
Members Absent: Yvette Zuniga, Jefferson Leon
Others Present:

I. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair, Autumn, called the meeting to order at 10:20.

II. MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.

III. AGENDA – No Agenda to approve.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – No previous minutes.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

VI. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None

VII. DISCUSSION ITEM: Individual Event Planning-
      i. Similar to the conversation on racial stress that happened during De-Stress Fest last semester, Committee wants to facilitate roundtable conversations regularly that address the issues and stressors various marginalized communities on campus face. We talked about holding them for transfer students, international students, women of color, and LGBTQ+ students but please brainstorm more students we can reach.
      ii. The Well was suggested as a possible location for holding these events.
      iii. Have faculty and/or students help facilitate these conversations. Nan Li was recommended for the women of color conversation. Please brainstorm any other faculty or staff you think would be good at facilitating these.
   b. Flag-naming raffle in the BMU
      i. Host a raffle contest to see which student or faculty member can name the most number of flags that are held in the BMU
      ii. April is Diversity Awareness Month so possibly plan this event for then
   c. Collaborations with non-profits in the area
      i. Invite non-profits to table on campus or attend events we put on (like the de-stress conversation circles)
ii. Possible non-profits could be Stonewall Alliance Center, NorCal Resist, Catalyst

B. Black History Month/Women’s History Month
   a. Since it’s already Black History Month, Committee wants to push to get an event planned and executed before the month is over. Hosting a conversation on racial stress was our main idea.
   b. Raquel is checking on the events the CCLC has held to see if committee can build off their facilitation methods/conversation questions/etc.
   c. discussed pushing it to March and having a Women of Color conversation circle.

C. Misc. Items
   a. Having our individual Social Justice & Equity branding was discussed. Autumn will be checking in with Kendra to see if this is possible.
   b. Committee decided to not have our meetings catered in order to save money for the events we hope to put on this semester.
   c. Current meeting time is Fridays from 10-11 AM both on Zoom or in person. Vice Chair requested update on committee’s Outlook calendars with schedule and Chair Autumn will try to find a time earlier in the week for us to meet to avoid inconsistent attendance and want as many voices as possible to brainstorm.
   d. Next meeting: Friday, February 10th from 10-11 AM

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS- None

IX. PUBLIC OPINION – None

X. ADJOURNMENT – The Vice Chair, Hewitt, adjourned the meeting at 11:18am.