



**Student Equity Committee – APPROVED Meeting Notes
November 23, 2020 / 2:30pm to 4:00pm / Virtual Meeting - Zoom**

Members

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Lara (Co-Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelby White-Tremazi | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Francesca Rinaldi |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Nixon (Co-Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana Felix | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bernie Somers |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Sampat | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tarik Ross | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominique Koesno (A.S. Rep.) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eloise Reyes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jaime Rodriguez | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mica Stewart | <input type="checkbox"/> Tami Pearson | |

Research Team Guests: Absent

Guests: Alejandra Pulido, Cara Tan, Andi Sims, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, Lisa Amos

Item	Agenda Topic	Notes	Meeting Outcomes
1.0	Welcome and Land Acknowledgement statement	Bruce Nixon recited the Land Acknowledgement statement.	N/A
2.0	Review Meeting Notes: November 9th	Eric Lara presented the meeting notes from November 9 th ; additions was completed.	The committee members approved the meeting notes from November 9 th with the additions.
3.0	Equity Speaker: Dr. Bettina Love (sponsored by Associated Students, in collaboration with SEC)	Eric Lara welcomed guests and opened the meeting for their presentation. Alejandra Pulido and Cara Tan presented detailed information about Dr. Bettina Love; as a guest speaker on campus who will discuss the educational survival complex and to achieve educational freedom; Dr. Bettina Love’s presentation will complement what the associated students have started – building community between faculty, staff and students. Andi Sims explained that the Associated Students have had supportive conversations about being involved in creating change within the educational system, involvement in the ability to learn how to teach better, and to create change for a better community. Ready to move forward and support the next step. Student Equity Committee members support and approve this upcoming event.	Eric Lara and Bruce Nixon will both present during the Associated Student Senate meeting in support of Dr. Bettina Love as a guest speaker on campus.

4.0	APAHE Letter to Congress about AANAPISIs	<p>Eric Lara welcomed guest and opened the meeting for their presentation.</p> <p>Aida Cuenza-Uvas defined the following: (1) AANAPISI (Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution) it is a Title 3 Federal Grant; competitive grant and non-renewal; Mt. SAC has been awarded two grants; target population are Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; Native American Pacific Islanders are the indigenous or aboriginal peoples of the Pacific Islands that are part of the US territories or have some relationship to the US; (2) APAHE (Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education) is an organization dedicated in supporting API's in higher education in particular student needs and professional development in educators.</p> <p>Aida Cuenza-Uvas explained the purpose of this letter is to alert Congress for support in several areas; an example would be appropriations is low per capita compared to the other groups; past applications were announced at unpredictable times of the year and resulted in several institutions being unable to apply.</p> <p>Aida Cuenza-Uvas is requesting the committee members to read the entire Letter to Congress; to fill out the form indicating support then it would go on as part of the letter; the link is shared in chat box.</p> <p>Aida Cuenza-Uvas put forward the idea for AANAPISI to be more visible on campus by initiating curriculum development for Pacific Studies or connect Pacific Studies to Ethnic Studies; it will benefit the students to fully reflect on their culture and identity.</p>	N/A
5.0	SPEAC meeting recap: What's next? (subgroup for SE report)	<p>Bruce Nixon reported Jaime Rodriguez's research presentation was amazing; SEA Annual report is due January, 2021; subgroup volunteers are Michelle Sampat, Jaime Rodriguez, and Bruce Nixon.</p> <p>Eric Lara provided a recap and presented the SEA 2019-2020 Annual Report outline; the subgroup will need to focus on Step III – Metrics, Step IV – Activities, review the collected data from research, and provide a response to the SEA Annual Report.</p>	Review the data provided from research; subgroup will respond to the SEA Annual Report due January, 2021.
6.0	Native American Student Initiative: 1. Sub group recap 2. Creation of Land Acknowledgment for Mt. SAC?	<p>Bruce Nixon reported the student Native American leaders are working closely with the Associated Students in regards to the fountain and space issue.</p> <p>Curriculum for Native American Studies degree; Bruce Nixon initiated the email to the curriculum group on campus and it's moving forward; UCLA and UCR have an undergraduate</p>	<p>The subgroup plans to meet and discuss the curriculum status in Spring 2021.</p> <p>The committee members approved to revise the current land acknowledgement language so it's</p>

		Native American Studies Program that will be reviewed in terms of creating new course level. Native American Land Acknowledgement; Bruce Nixon indicated there was no consensus as to the land acknowledgement approach; currently Mt. SAC is using language from UCLA with anticolonial added; the student Native American leaders prefer sincere from the heart land acknowledge vs a Mt. SAC campus formalized process.	tailored specifically to Mt. SAC and East Central Valley region; present the draft to Frances Borella then acquire approval from the elders for an official land acknowledgement; the first draft will start in March, 2021.
7.0	Research Update: Creating a culminating SE funded activities report to be presented at Spring/Fall Flex, conferences etc.	Tabled.	Tabled.
8.0	Financial Literacy Title V update	Lisa Amos presented on financial literacy title V; purpose is to directly address equity gaps among Mt. SAC students; working title of program is Mountie Money Management Center; financial literacy title V goals are (1) physical location on campus; (2) website; (3) one-on-one money management counseling sessions with students; (4) host campus fairs; (5) develop canvas hub; (6) plan a virtual campus event in April; (7) offer virtual zoom workshops for campus groups.	N/A
9.0	Post-Election discussions -Feedback from Nov 13 th	Eric Lara announced the breaking news; Trump administration is clearing the way for Biden's presidency.	Tabled.
10.0	FLEX Day Call for Proposals	Tabled.	Tabled.
11.0	USC – Equity Summit (Bernie and Francesca)	Tabled.	Tabled.
12.0	AS Racial Justice Task Force (Bruce)	Tabled.	Tabled.
13.0	SEC Co-Chairs Presentation @ Associated Students Senate Meeting	Tabled.	Tabled.
14.0	Other: Spring SEC priorities	Closing remarks from Eric Lara, Bruce Nixon, Michelle Sampat, and Jaime Rodriguez – Thank you everyone in the committee for all of your contribution this semester; everyone's positive energy has been wonderful; working towards equity inclusiveness is going well; all the support has been amazing.	N/A

Scheduled Student Equity Meeting Dates: Mar 8; 22; Apr 12; 26; May 10; 24; TENTATIVE Jun 14