

SBVC
Diversity & Equity
Committee

October 22, 2007
3:00 - 4:00 pm
ADSS 207, President's Conference Room
SBVC Mission: San Bernardino Valley College provides quality education and services that support a diverse community of learners.

MINUTES

Members:



	A	P		A	P
Damon A. Bell		X	William McKie		X
Javier Alcaraz	X		Stacy Meyer	X	
Dan Angelo	X		Jack Olsen	X	
Marco Cota		X	Anasuya Pal		X
Ed Gomez, Chair		X	Michael Perez		X
Kellie Barnett	X		Margaret Ortiz	X	
Suzan Hall	X		Zelma Russ	X	
June Hill		X	Edward Perez	X	
Mary Beth Barrios		X	Romana Pires	X	
Bert Reins	X		Kathi Salinas	X	
Stephanie Briggs	X		Marjorie Price, Guest		X
Denise Jacobs	X		Mary Valdemar		X
Marie Mestas	X		Linda Stevens	X	
Theresa Ramirez, Student	X		Kerry Harrison, Student	X	
Deanne Rabon, Guest		X	Nina Acosta, Student		X
Sheryle Austin-Fischer	X		Eleanor Reynolds, Student	X	
Mimi Tumang	X		Leonard Lopez	X	

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	FURTHER ACTION
1. Call to Order –Ed Gomez	Ed Gomez called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm and had everyone introduce themselves.	
2. Approval of today's Agenda and Previous Minutes (September 24, 2007)	Agenda for today and Minutes from September 24th meeting were approved.	Members were instructed to bring copies of their Agenda and Minutes to each meeting.
3. Business: A. Guest-Deanne Rabon, Star Program	Deanna Rabon from the Star Program gave a brief overview on what the Star Program offers students including tutoring, counseling, cultural field trips, educational field trips, early alert services and workshops on English grammar, study skills, professional portfolios, dress for success, and a variety of transfer or graduation related topics. The program is not at capacity and still has openings. Students must apply and meet the criteria, which includes being enrolled in at least one English, Reading, Biology, Chemistry or Math course.	Ed Gomez thanked the Star Program for their information and invited them to look at the Diversity plan and identify areas where we have some cross over and can help.
B. Guest-Marjorie Price, Visual, Performing & Media Arts Division	Marjorie Price from the Visual, Performing and Media Arts division spoke on behalf of Mattie Scully, Department Chair for the Music Department. She explained that at one time SBVC had an orchestra and marching band, which is needed by students majoring in music in order to meet transfer requirements to the CalState or UC systems for their major. They are planning to revitalize the music program by offering a 12 – 8 piece Mariachi Band ensemble which will be very unique for our area. In order to move forward they will need more funding as the cost for just one Mariachi outfit is approximately \$500.00. The curriculum class has already been submitted and hopefully will be available for students in Fall 2008. The ensemble will perform both on and off campus and will serve as a culturally rich ambassador to the community.	Ed Gomez thanked the Music Department for the information and invited them to submit a proposal to the committee when they are ready. It was also suggested that the committee could help by looking for other community supporters.

<p>C. Special events for the academic year-</p> <p>a) ICC Report – Teri and Nina</p> <p>b) Programs Report- Kathi</p> <p>c) Academic Senate Report - Mary Beth</p> <p>d) Faculty and Staff – Zelma</p>	<p>Nina Acosta reported that ICC has some upcoming events planned including events from Human Services (Red Ribbon Week October 22-25), Puente Club, Mecha (Dia De Los Muertos), New Visions Club (Halloween Party October 25), Cadecius, AGS and others. She also announced that the Science and Math Fair has been cancelled, possibly due to lack of funding.</p> <p>Mary Beth Barrios gave a brief summary of what is happening with Academic Senate. The ballots for Academic Senate President have been distributed for voting and the candidates are Leonard Lopez and John Stankas. Two weeks ago there was a speaker who presented on non-credit and basic skills courses. This is a big push with this issue and the State Academic Senate is concerned with the issue as well. The discussion is focusing on what Valley is doing right and what we need to improve on. Some concerns are that Reading and ESL courses aren't being offered at the lower levels.</p> <p>Ed Gomez reported that next month is Political and Religious month. Maha and Kathy are coordinating plans for that month.</p> <p>Mike Perez requested that a section for Accreditation be added to the agenda for future meetings.</p> <p>Mary Valdemar mentioned the bilingual stipend issue which is being pursued by CSEA. She asked if any members, especially managers or supervisors had found it necessary or beneficial for employees to speak spanish on the job, to please write letters of support to help these employees get the \$50 stipend. CSEA is working with the district on implementing a certified skills procedure to help with various concerns and other possible translation skills being used. In the meantime perhaps the committee would consider also passing a resolution in support of implementation for current staff who are asked to translate.</p>	<p>Ed Gomez requested that we get more information on this issue. The committee agreed that we should be involved in the discussion as it relates to equity and diversity.</p> <p>Ed Gomez will meet with Kathy and Maha to find out what the plans are for next month.</p> <p>Mike Perez will bring more information on the status and progress of the accreditation committees.</p> <p>Mary Valdemar will provide a draft resolution at the next meeting.</p>
<p>4. Funding Requests</p>	<p>The funding committee is in need of additional committee members to screen applicants. Please contact Damon Bell if you are interested in helping out. There is approximately \$20,000 in our current balance. With the four proposals approved at the last meeting our balance should be about \$19,000.</p> <p>There were 2 requests for funding received by Damon Bell this month.</p>	<p>Ed Gomez reported that our account had been diminished by \$3,000 without any information given or approval of the committee. He will meet with Bob Temple to find out why and present more information at the next meeting.</p>
<p>5. Sub-Committee Reports:</p> <p>a) Executive Summary-Zelma Russ, Chair</p> <p>b) Proposal Review-Damon Bell</p> <p>c) Research-Ed Gomez, Chair</p>	<p>No Report</p> <p>Damon Bell presented 2 requests for funding for this meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Child Development Center requested \$250 for October 30, 2007 to teachers, lab students and aides. 2. The Parent Education Center requested \$250 for November 15, 2007; to provide Positive Discipline training to parents. 	<p>\$250 approved for Child Development Center</p> <p>\$250 approved for Parent Education Center</p>
<p>6. Meeting Schedule</p>	<p>Fall Semester – 4th Monday of each month from 3-4:00 pm:</p> <p>November 26, 2007 ADSS 200-C</p> <p>December 10, 2007 (Note date change) President's Conference Room</p> <p>January 28, 2008 President's Conference Room</p> <p>February 25, 2008 ADSS 200-C</p> <p>March, 24, 2008 President's Conference Room</p> <p>April 28, 2008 President's Conference Room</p>	