University Diversity Committee Minutes (6/1/06)

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I. Approval of Minutes
Carthen moved to approve with corrections to IIIb. Constant seconded. Minutes approved.

II. Budget Report
Valencia reported she encumbered the funds for the diversity award recipients’ parking permits for 2006/07.

III. Subcommittee Reports
a. Conversations on Diversity
Carthen reported the DVDs are available and each of the subcommittee members received a copy. Asbell moved to make the DVDs available to UDC members free of charge. Carswell seconded. Motion approved. Carthen reported she has photos from the event.

Murillo-Moyeda is working on obtaining Henry Cisneros as the fall speaker. The subcommittee will meet June 15, 2006 in SB at 12:00. Carthen distributed a draft letter to be mailed out to potential speakers and requested suggestions and/or corrections be directed to Carthen, Clark, Carswell, and Futch. The subcommittee suggested hiring a student assistant to distribute the letter and also do research on speakers. Carthen stated UDC should have criteria for selecting potential speakers. Carthen discussed the local and campus media coverage of the spring event before and after it was held.

Futch reported he has received complaints for women speakers. Asbell suggested UDC conduct a campus survey for suggestions for potential speakers/topics. Futch suggested watching the listserv “Forum,” here on campus to see what topics are discussed via email. Torrez suggested focusing on topics. Futch stated UDC members need to make sure our information gets out there on campus since UDC members come from different areas/departments.

b. Diversity Webpage
Clark reported he met with Evans Kahuthu, Michael Casadonte, and Tom Ruvolo (representing ACM) regarding the UDC webpage. Murillo-Moyeda provided an
update on the database and based on the recommendations from ACM, ACM felt the
database on the UDC website was not absolutely necessary because people do not go
to UDC for resources. When people want to search for something, they go to web-
based search engine. It was suggested to include two or three links to organizations
on diversity with a brief description of them, including NMCI. Recommended sites
should be sent to Carswell or Murillo-Moyeda with a “cc” to Clark. Clark suggested
UDC minimize the amount of fiddling that will need to be done on the webpage. The
consensus of the meeting was to eliminate the database from the website. Clark
reported on the logo/banner of the website and it was suggested we have photographs
that would refresh periodically with the cycle time to be determined. Clark suggested
the photographs be from campus. Torrez inquired about students’ consent to use their
photos on the webpage. Clark will inquire about the legality of their use. Asbell
suggested combing the photo into a collage. Clark reported the subcommittee will be
going through the website page by page. The subcommittee will meet on June 20,
2006.

IV. New Business
Torrez received a nomination for John Futch for a Diversity Award. Torrez requested
that regulation that UDC members can not be nominated while they are on the
committee be waived. Carthen inquired if another award could be developed to honor
UDC members. Torrez moved to waive the rule that UDC members are ineligible for
diversity award nomination. Rice seconded. Motion defeated.

Carthen moved to create an award/category to recognize UDC members for their
service based on criteria to be set forth by UDC. Carswell seconded. Motion passed.

Constant moved to provide Valencia with a stipend at 10% her monthly salary.
Asbell second. Motion approved.

The next UDC meeting will be June 22, 2006.