

UA Diversity Task Force
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 12, 2013

Location: Campus Drive Deck, Room 174

Present: Virginia Johnson, Dr. Norm Baldwin (chair/facilitator), Dr. Osiris Molina, Dr. Utz McKnight, Dr. Mary Meares, Dr. Meredith Bagley, Stephanie Robinson, Kirkland Back, Brennan Johnson

Absent: Dean Milla Boschung

Announcements/Old Business:

I. Norm & Ozzy addressed the Faculty Senate earlier today, giving a general report on our meetings thus far, and our collective investment in the task of the committee. Feedback that they received from the Senate included:

- a) A new/permanent name for the task force
- b) Interest from Senators for at least some open/public meetings, perhaps in the form of “listening sessions” for concerned members of UA community to share their views

II. Norm reported that website construct is progressing, with the help of Christina Frantom in the Multimedia Services office. Stephanie will take over coordinating this process.

Discussion/New Business:

I. Committee discussed and agreed that Norm would meet with Dr. Nelson on Wednesday 11/13 as a representative of the group. Norm will ask Mark to attend a full task force meeting soon.

II. Priorities/Large Scale Factors:

- a) Committee continued discussion of large scale factors related to diversity at UA, and of relevance to the charge of the task force.
- b) Committee began phrasing large over-arching questions that encompass the key factors/priorities
- c) Norm asked members to generate lists for the next meeting of guests/experts we'd like to hear from as we begin to investigate these major factors and as we consider steps to address them.

Adjourned 6:45pm

Next meeting: Tues, 11/19, 5-6:30pm, same location