

Diversity for Community Committee Meeting
Minutes
March 5, 2009
BH 21—9:30-10:30 AM

Attendance: Jeff Zacharakis, Trudy Salsberry, Marilyn Kaff, Kate Greving, Keith Powers, James Teagarden.

We welcomed Kate Greving as our new undergraduate representative, and spent a few minutes describing our purpose and some of our past projects.

Minutes from the February meeting were not available. Trudy S. will type them up and then Jeff Z. will email them to the committee for an email vote.

Approved by unanimous vote Dr. Thurston's proposal to support Dr. Vandanna Shiva's—an internationally acclaimed scholar on eco-feminism and sustainability—for Fall 2009 for the amount of \$1000.

We discussed and approved a proposal to provide editorial leadership to a thematic issue of *Educational Considerations* on diversity and higher education. At our April meeting we will discuss and decide what the central focus of our theme will be. Several suggestions were offered, including: graduate and undergraduate research on engaging students, university and community related to diversity; and models of how colleges and units of education promote diversity among faculty and students in both the university and community. Projected date for publishing this thematic issue is late 2010 or 2011.

Discussed the NCATE review and invited all committee members to attend DCC's review session Tuesday March 10, 8:15-9:00 AM, BH 256.

We also discussed DCC funded projects. Specifically we discussed how we might better encourage graduate and undergraduate students to apply for grants to support their research. And we discussed ways to encourage faculty and staff to apply for DCC support as seed money that will better enable them to prepare and apply for larger grants. This second topic focused on the importance to measure impact and document any multiplier effect associated with our small grants. Two outcomes from this decision: (1) review our proposal guidelines and see if there are any minor modifications that would encourage new research-related proposals, and (2) review our past grants awards and document the long-term impact and contribution they may or may not have had.

Finally we approved Sona Esquivel's request to post on the DCC board a flyer for Dr. Sylvia Hurtado's Chet Peters Lecture on April 10.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM. Next meeting April 2, 9:30-10:30 AM, BH 21