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2000-2001 JUNTURA MINUTES DECEMBER 2000

Dec. 14, 2000, 3:30 pm

Library Conference Room

Present: Rodney Frey, Linnea Herrera, Carrie Huskinson, Leatia Botello, Jerry Galloway, Dona Walker, Raul Sanchez, and Lily Wai.

The meeting was called to order by Lily Wai. She congratulated Carrie Huskinson for her newly election position to the ASUI Senate representing the non-traditional, off campus, disabled, and multicultural student groups.

Leatia Botello who recently accepted the position of the Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs was welcomed into the group.

Most of the meeting was devoted to the discussion of the "Diversity Center" proposal. Lily recapped the email discussions she had with Joanne Reece and Hal Godwin and her visit with Mike Whitman. Joanne mentioned that UI is working on a substantial housing neighborhood that "may have opportunities to add some space for such purposes." She promised that she would continue to seek opportunities to help, but does not have an easy answer for us at the moment. Raul promised that he would provide any assistance that is needed in promoting the concept of having a "Diversity center" on campus. Hal Godwin and Greg Tathem were invited to this meeting but due to conflict of schedules they were not able to make to this meeting.

Leatia told the history of the "Diversity Center" at the SUB. The room was created in 1996 at the SUB for the multicultural students when Linda Morris as the Director of Multicultural Affairs Office as a result of the 1994 "Diversity Action Plan." When the SUB was renovated, no one was in charge to ask for such a space in the planning stage so it just fell through the cracks. In 1999, this issue was brought up by Dona Walker and after some negotiations with Hal Godwin, they found a room at UCC which is currently used for such a purpose. The room is equipped with a computer, some furniture and a phone line.

A representative from Native American Students Association was invited to this meeting and she told the group that the Native American tribes are interested in making contributions and would also like to find a place where they can conduct their campus activities. There are office spaces on the third floor of the Commons designated for ASUI and various student club activities, but they are just cubicles with very limited space for group activities.

The final conclusion from the discussion on the "Diversity Center" was that we need a permanent solution as well as an interim solution to solve the immediate needs.

Raul told the committee members that he completed the Framework document and submitted to President Hoover. As soon as he received the approval he will share it with the committee. He is forming a Diversity Advisory Committee with 10-12 members and encourage us to nominate names to him.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.

Submitted by:

Lily Wai, Chair, Juntura Committee, 2000/2001

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