

NMSU Diversity Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 17, 2021 Zoom Meeting

Call to order: Meeting called to order by the Diversity Council Chair Elect, Laura Madsen

Members Present: Laura Madsen -- College of Arts and Sciences & Chair Elect; Michael Ray & Britney Stout – American Indian Programs; Rebecca Silva – NMSU Carlsbad/ Diversity Council Secretary; Tara Roof – NMSU Dona Ana CC; Hector Sanchez – Military and Veteran’s Programs; Laura Castille – Office of Institutional Equity; Carol B. Hicks -- Student Success and Enrollment Management;; Vandeen McKenzie -- Employee Council; Sophia Pook --LGBT+ Programs;; John Idowu -- College of AG; Kimberly York -- Black Programs; Will Waller – Student Accessibility; Mariaelena De La Rosa – University Library; Martha Estrada -- College Assistance Migrant Program; Nicole Gomez – Athletics; Luis Vazquez – Graduate School

Hilary Masters- Guest; Nicole Hamilton - Guest

Members Absent: Denise Rodriguez- Strawn -- College of Education/Diversity Council Chair; Ashlerose Francia -- Graduate Student Council; Carol Flinchbaugh – College of Business; Elan Delgadillo – NMSU Grants; Karen Kopera-Frye – Faculty Senate; Judith Flores Carmona -- Chicano Programs; Evan Conner -- ASNMSU; Stephanie Lynch -- College of Health and Social Services; Phil King -- College of Engineering; Maricruz Aguilar -- Honors’ College; Laura Bittner -- ACES Representative; Tiffany Flores – ASNMSU VP ;Jeanne Garland – Assoc Dir NM AMP

1. Meeting Called to order at 2:02pm.
2. Introductions were made.
3. Agenda Approved- Carol Hicks motioned, Hector Sanchez second.
4. What does it mean to be a sanctuary campus?
 - The Students self-declared to become a sanctuary campus
 - Faculty Senate aligning with the Students
 - Working on a proposition “Don’t want to promise things if we can’t protect them”
 - crimmigration.com/2017/02/07/sanctuary-campus-map/ is the website for sanctuary status
 - Next Steps-
 - Form a committee?
 - ASNMSU in conjunction with Faculty Senate gather data
 - Let students know where we are in process
 - Let them know we support them & care about them
 - Continue to look at other schools
 - Request legal opinion on a resolution “Declaration of a Sanctuary Campus”
5. January Meeting minutes had one change—the year to “2021” –Michael Ray motion, Laura Castille second. Minutes passed with change.
6. Announcements were made by Kimberly York, Rebecca Silva, Carol Hicks, Luis Vasquez, and Laura Castille.
 - Kimberly – Dr. Eric- English Dept. Real Talk one movement many platforms
 - Rebecca – Black History Celebration February 25th @ 4:30 via Zoom

- Carol – True Colors Rollout Training on Training Central
 - Luis – SHIP taskforce, Tuition Remission create a balance, Grad Talks Remote Mentoring, Enrollment is up 4.7% over last four years in the Grad School
 - Laura – DC 4th interview @ 11am, Town Hall @ 4pm on Feb 18. And 3rd candidate town hall today at 4pm
7. Laura asked that council members shared success stories.- none today
8. Old Business:
- Michael Ray-
 - Indigenous Student Support Circle with Aggie Health on zoom
 - Students plates are fuller at home
 - Let them know its ok to show their faces on zoom and their spaces with family and animals in background
 - Men of Color conversations

Adjournment at 2:58pm motioned by Michael Ray and seconded by Hector Sanchez.

Submitted by Rebecca Silva, Diversity Council Secretary