

Eastern Wyoming College

Diversity Committee



August 21, 2014

11 am- 12 noon

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AGENDA

Co-Chairs

Rex Cogdill
John Hansen

Members

Tom Armstrong
David Banville
Jamie Black
Holly Branham
Casey Debus
Mike Durfee
Kellee Gooder
Dee Ludwig
Mai Lee Olsen
Becky McAllister
Diane McQueen
Laurie Mueller
Stuart Nelson
John Nesbitt—AHSBS Div.
Debbie Ochsner
Karen Posten
Kim Russell
Zach Smith
Kaitlyn Steben—Business Div.
Susan Stephenson
Kerry Steward—Business Div.
Patsy Velazquez
Rick Vonburg—Business Div.
Lynn Wamboldt
Chris Wenzel—Science Div.
Donna White
Gwen Yung—Science Div.

Students

- Approve Notes from May 1, 2014 meeting
- Membership
- Committee Reports & Activities
 - Diversity Coordinator Report
 - International Efforts--David Banville, chair
 - Others?
- Identify and ask for student members
- Planning for Year
 - Display Case
 - **September** – Hispanic Awareness month – Patsy and the Diversity Club
 - **October** – Breast Cancer Awareness month – Gwen Yung, Cosmetology, and the Volleyball Team
 - **November** – National American Indian Heritage Month – no one has signed up for this display yet.
 - **December/January** - National Mentoring Month – Gear Up
 - **February** – Black History Month – John Hansen
 - **March** – Women’s History Month – Mai Lee Olsen/Zach Smith
 - **April** – Financial Awareness Month – Stuart Nelson/Financial Aid
 - **May through August** – the Year in Review – College Relations
- Focus Report—Lynn & Dee
- Other
- Fall meeting dates

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DIVERSITY MEETING NOTES
August 21, 2014, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
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Present: *Rex Cogdill, John Hansen, David Banville, Dee Ludwig, Becky McAllister, Stuart Nelson, John Nesbitt, Karen Posten, Kim Russell, Kaitlyn Steben, Susan Stephenson, Patsy Velazquez, Rick Vonburg, Lynn Wamboldt, Chris Wenzel*

Welcome:

- Committee members were welcomed and the new co-chairs were introduced. They are Rex Cogdill and John Hansen.

Approve notes from May 1, 2014 Meeting:

- The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and reviewed. One change was made to the minutes. John Hansen read a poem entitled “See Through” which was interpreted by one of EWC’s students, Hannah Chapman. The author of the poem is Andrea Gibson. Kim Russell made a motion to accept the proposed change and Dee seconded. Kim then made a motion to accept the minutes as amended and Dee seconded.

Membership:

- Committee membership has changed due to changes in personnel. A new representative is needed from the Science and Business Divisions.

Committee Reports and Activities:

- **Diversity Coordinator Report**
 - Patsy reported that she has been in contact with the Director of the Latina Youth Conference which is being held on October 18-19, 2014. Patsy would like to have two female students represent EWC at the conference. Dee and Patsy would also attend. The registration fee is \$35 and the hotel room is \$79. The Committee was asked if we would sponsor attendance at the conference. No decision was made.
 - Patsy will be making “Fred” calls to her students in evenings.
 - **Diversity Club**
 - In May the Diversity Club took students to the Cinco de Mayo celebration in Denver. The dancers who performed at the celebration did a great job and said that they would be willing to come to EWC for a performance.
 - Instead of taking students on a trip at the beginning of the 2014/15 year, the Diversity Club would like to sponsor a movie, *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. The viewing would be open to everyone. The cost of the movie rental is \$250. Patsy asked if the Diversity Committee would pay for the rental. Rick made a motion that the Committee pay for the rental and Kim seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
 - The Diversity Club will meet at noon the second Wednesday of each month this school year.

- **International Efforts:**
 - David reported that the name of the Executive Office Assistant One Year Certificate Program has been changed to the Executive Office Management Program.
 - Demographics for students in this program were discussed:
 - Students will come from Mexico.
 - Students will probably come from families involved in business.
 - Students will most likely be of a traditional age.
 - Posters for marketing this program will be printed and will be disseminated through Rotary.
 - The International Efforts sub-committee will have another meeting in mid-October.

Identify and Ask for Student Members:

- New student representatives are needed; two from Student Senate and one from the Diversity Club. Student members will be chosen after the clubs begin meeting.

Planning for Next Year:

- **Display Case:** Each month we will highlight a diversity theme in the display case in The Corner.
 - **September:** Hispanic Awareness month – Patsy and the Diversity Club
 - **October:** Breast Cancer Awareness month – Gwen Yung, Cosmetology, and the volleyball team
 - **November:** National American Indian Heritage Month – Michele Ogburn and the Student Senate
 - **December/January:** National Mentoring Month – GEAR UP
 - **February:** Black History Month – John Hansen
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 - **April:** Financial Awareness Month – Stuart Nelson and Financial Aid
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Focus Report – Lynn & Dee:

- Dee handed out the “Peer Reviewer Professional Data Report” which tells who will be reviewing the college at our Focus visit. Benjamin Young and Dr. Iwalani Else will be our reviewers. They will arrive on Saturday - October 3, 2014. On Sunday they will visit the Douglas campus and on Monday they will have sessions with faculty, staff, the Diversity Committee and the community. The Exit Interview will take place on Tuesday.
- Members were provided with the *HLC Focus Report on Diversity* and Dee briefly went through the report with us.
- The on-line report is a searchable PDF which Lynn demonstrated for us.

Next Meeting:

- Meetings for the school year will be the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is **September 16, 2014.**

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September 17, 2014

12 noon – 1 pm

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Student Senate Rep #1
Student Senate Rep #2
Diversity Club Rep #1

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- HLC Visit Overview – Dr. Dee Ludwig
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- Fall Meeting Dates/Times: Oct. 21 & Nov. 18 @ Noon – 1 pm