Diversityy Advisory Council

December 9, 2009
Don Bautista Room
2:30-3:30pm


D. Kubo reported: The program on Veteranos had a huge turn out in Conf A. The current Impact AAPI newsletter is available and there is legislation that could open up a two-year grant extension. We can continue discussing and brainstorming ideas for the group, including finalizing dates for workshops.

J. Reza, E. Norte and V. Marquez summarized their work to date: on a workshop of focus groups of faculty with Latino students, so faculty and staff can benefit from honest student information. With Staff, Diversity and ICCE and LEAD students working together, Diversity issues at De Anza can be a good staff community building opportunity.

J. Cheko noted: that the GSA are planning to bring Alice Wu to campus and show the film again.

Other workshop topics to consider: Undocumented students, Instructor awareness of marginalization of low-income students, e.g. textbook changes (no “used” books), white awareness, cross cultural communication, many of these workshops can be taught by our own instructors.

D. Kubo noted: that new part-time instructor Julie Lewis is researching and writing curriculum for new LGTB courses. He also re-visited the group developing a Five year plan for diversity to be put in place.

S. Heddy inquired: about the location of a student/community Prayer Room. The Peace room had been addressed by the Campus Center Committee, we can view plans for the MCC.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

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