

Student Success & Equity Meeting–Minutes for 4-6-17

Membership Attendance

MSC – Roland Montemayor, Takeo Kubo,
Faculty – Jennifer Nestojko, Heather Jellison, Celia Cruz,
Classified – Patricia Romero, Xiomara Martinez
Student –

1. Welcome/Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda : Discussion/Action

Approved Agenda – Motioned: Takeo Kubo / 2nd Jennifer Nestojko

3. Approval of Minutes:

Approved Minutes- Motioned: Takeo Kubo / 2nd Xiomara Martinez

Board Presentation:

a) HBCU Video

Roland Montemayor displayed the video. He shared with the committee highlights of the board meeting. He let them know that the board was really impressed and happy with the outcome. There was \$102,000 worth of scholarships given out to the students that were admitted on the spot. We had 20 people admitted that day. We had over 200 students that were from our high schools, our partnering colleges, and around 100 from San Jose City College/Evergreen. It was a great event.

b) Outcomes Data

Roland Montemayor brought in a chart that demonstrated how our school is doing compared to other schools per every 100 students. The chart displayed that our school is in the top three of students getting a degree.

4. Celebration at EBay:

Roland Montemayor informed that on May 5th there will be a reception for our African American students in the EBay headquarters hosted by the President and the Board.

5. Outreach Position:

Roland Montemayor proposed to support 50% of the funding through Student Equity for an Outreach Coordinator position. The other 50% would be supported through Adult Education funds. The committee discussed and saw the need of the position. The committee voted and approved.

6. Book for Ethnic Studies:

Roland Montemayor brought in a request from the Academic Senate President to support having a collection of Ethnic Studies books for our students. Many students are struggling to pay for books. Roland Montemayor researched the price of the books and found that they were pretty high in cost. He proposed to the

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committee a onetime support of \$5,300.00 to purchase a set of books for each of the Mexican American Ethnic Studies class.

Celia Cruz asked if some of the money could be covered through the HSI (Hispanic Serving Institutions) grant. Roland Montemayor mentioned they couldn't for Ethnic Studies books. Celia Cruz mentioned there is an effort being made to try to pursue faculty to use Open Educational Resources (OER). She also mention that in some cases there are some text books that they are using that aren't aligned with what is being thought. She stated that the school has received a \$150,000.00 grant that can be given to faculty as stipend to create their own textbooks. This won't be implemented until about a year from now.

Roland Montemayor motion to support the purchase of the textbooks and the committee approved.

7. Other:

Celia Cruz proposed to add an item for future meetings to report out how the funding is being allocated for professional development and for projects the committee has funded.

Takeo Kubo gave an update on Financial Aid week. He mentioned that there was around 300 participants, 200 surveys filled out, and developed partnerships with Colleges for our transfer students.

Xiomara Martinez will bring in a proposal for our next meeting regarding funding for the Guardian Scholars Program.

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