



Northland Community & Technical College Diversity Committee Meeting

Date & Time: Thursday, October 16, 2008
Campus & Room # EGF 106, TRF 545

Agenda

Attendees: Mary Fontes, Rocky Ammerman, Eugene Klinke, Michelle Benitt, Susie Harrie, Jason Pangiarella, Steve Crittenden, Jenny Donarski, Nicole Brenny, Maureen OConnell,

Absent: Pat Balstad, Becky Lindseth, Shannon Bolden, Nick Thompson, Lisa Bottem, Peggy Rogers

Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
Call to order		
1. Diversity Plan-final draft		Final drafts of the Diversity plan were emailed to all committee members for final review.
2. Campus Diversity Statement		<p>A campus wide committee was formed to develop a diversity statement. Committee members included Filson Barkad, Susy Dowers, Kari Sundberg, Aliza Olson, Jason Pangiarella and Nicole Brenny. The following Diversity Statement was submitted and approved:</p> <p><i>It is Northland Community and Technical College's mission to acknowledge, understand, value and celebrate the diverse heritage and cultures within our learning community.</i></p>
3. Subcommittee Updates		The Scholarship task group has met on several occasions, and a Multicultural Club Scholarship fund has been established. For this academic year, 08-09, a separate scholarship application will be used. In the future, application for this scholarship will be combined with the Foundation scholarship, as the information is essentially the same. It

		will be required that students must be a member of the Multicultural Club in order to be eligible for this scholarship. There is some money already set aside, but both committee members and the Foundation will continue to work together to fund this scholarship in the future. The International Dessert Festival, which is an event that has been held over the past few years on the EGF campus, will continue to be one source for funds, and this event will be held on both campuses this year.
4. New Items		Gene brought to the group's attention that it has been several years since the Multicultural Services brochure has been updated. Committee members agreed that the brochures should be updated. There is currently a letter that goes out from Nicole Brenny to new students who self-identify as a student of color or underrepresented student, and this brochure could be added to this mailing. Committee members Jason Pangerialla, Nicole Brenny and Susie Harrie agreed to work on this project. This project will also be added to the Diversity Plan as an objective.
Adjournment		