

PDC Meeting, October 12, 2018**International Student Center conference room, 11:15 am – 12:30 pm****ATTENDEES:**

Voting Members	Department	Present
Astorga, Juan Carlos	Teamsters Rep	Y
Conrady-Wong, Lara	ASO Rep	N
Habata, Michael	Co-Chair	Y
Henderson, Mark	UMCE Rep	N
Jerniqan, Shytovia	Local 99 Rep	N
Kahwajian, Raffi	AFT 1521 Rep	N
LeFort, Dominic	ASO Student Rep	Y
Pham, Pauline	Mathematics	Y
Portillo, Marcela	Counseling – FYE	Y
Travis, Lori	Communication Studies	Y
Tsuha, Julio	Sociology	Y
Watson, Abby	Counseling - Int'l Stud.	Y

Non-Voting Members	Department
Bates, Maria	English
Desai, Mita	Counseling – General
Cortes, Alma	Child Development
Guests	
Lee, Teak	Life Sciences
Goetling, Desiree	Life Sciences

1. Call to order at 11:33 am

2. Approve agenda

- a. Dominic motioned, Julio seconded

3. Approve Minutes from 9/13/18

- a. Michael reported Mylo had sent in an addition via email
- b. Julio motioned, Dominic seconded

Old Business

4. Co-Chair and Secretary positions

- a. Michael announced that Josey Vargas, who had been co-chair has resigned from the college.
- b. There was general discussion about replacing Josey's position.
- c. Michael said that the secretary position is also open. Michael suggested that he would take notes for the time being, and asked for a volunteer to report out to Pierce College Council monthly meetings. Lori Travis volunteered.

Team Reports/New Business

5. Projects for Committee for 2018-19

a) Bystander Awareness/BRAVE

Clothesline Project will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 17th on the Mall. ASO Representative Dominic said they still need volunteers for various shifts: set up, running the event, and clean-up. Dean Juan Carlos talked about the history of the event, and how the different colored shirts have different meanings.

b) One Book One Campus

- 1) Big event for 2018-19 for One Book will take place the next day, Oct. 12th. Event is called the Unlocking Justice Summit event.
- 2) Julio commented that he had a very interesting conversation by chance with one of the breakout presenters, Ruben Pinuela, and recommends his session.

c) DACA / Students who are undocumented

- 1) Julio noted that there will be an event on October 23rd related to undocumented students.
- 2) Dean Juan Carlos announced that the following week would be the Undocumented Student Week of Action throughout the district colleges. On Monday there will be a workshop on financial aid and the Dream Act. On Wednesday there will be a presentation on Knowing Your Rights by the CARECEN organization. On Thursday there will be a presentation on mental health for undocumented individuals. All presentations will be in LLC 5114.

- 3) Juan Carlos also said that a point person had been hired to work with undocumented students. One of the rooms in the ASO area will be used for resources for undocumented individuals, although the budget for a Dream Resource Center is currently unavailable.

d) Students who are homeless and have food insecurity issues

- 1) Juan Carlos announced that Darcy Corwin is now the point person for food insecurity issues. The former location for storing and distributing food was not ideal, and they will be moving to Christine Valada's old office in the former Library building. The food available will be of two kinds, 1) grab and go food, and 2) foods that will come with recipes that will change according to the foods that are available.

6. Multicultural Day

- a) Michael announced for people who had missed the last meeting that the committee is working to create a Multicultural Day at Pierce College, based on the model at Moorpark College, which has had this event for over 25 years. It is a day of open classes for students and the community focusing on issues of diversity and inclusion, as well as student organization events and cultural performances.
- b) Michael said a working group had met one week earlier, and decided that they would go ahead with a pilot (smaller, less ambitious) first Multicultural Day in spring 2018, and then attempt a larger scale event for spring 2019 with multiple classes taking each time period.
- c) Instead of having a separate committee-sponsored event for Asian Pacific American Heritage Day in May, one class during Multicultural Day will focus on Asian American identity/culture
- d) The date has been selected as Thursday, April 18th. Student groups will be out on the Mall doing cultural performances and providing food. The working group wanted a date before the weather got uncomfortable during the middle of the day.
- e) There will be three time blocks for classes, plus the student groups on the Mall from 11 am to 1 pm. The time blocks will be 9:35-11:00, 11:10-12:35, and 12:45-2:10. The Mall time is designed to coincide with two passing periods between classes when a maximum number of students will be out on the Mall.
- f) Julio Tsuha will present a dramatic performance during the first block for Sociology. Christopher Strickland from History had been asked to present during the second time block, but he will not be teaching a class during spring semester. Michael Habata is taking the lead on the Asian Pacific American Heritage event, which was supposed to go in the third time block.

- g) Chris Strickland had asked to move to the third time block. Michael expressed concern that students, particularly in the Asian student groups, may want to see the performer during the Asian American event, and it would make more sense to have this event during the third time block as it would not interfere with the student groups on the Mall from 11 am to 1 pm. This issue will be resolved at some later date.
- h) Michael had originally wanted an author to present during the Asian American presentation, in addition to having a panel of Asian American students discuss their Asian American identities. The local individuals he received referrals for are younger performance artists or stand-up comedians, and the group agreed that this would be more engaging for Pierce students. Shaheen Vaaz from Theater Arts had also suggested a couple of performers that she knows personally.
- i) Michael had earlier sent information about these performers to the committee members. He attempted to show some performances on the projector, but the sound quality was poor, so Michael said he would send out the information to the group.
- j) Dominic said that funding would be available from ASO, but the request for the money should be made soon.
- k) Other committee members suggested Asian American chefs that had been featured on cable tv programs.
- l) Michael said he would ask Shaheen to make an inquiry with Geeta and Ravi Patel, who are the creators of the movie Meet the Patels. He would also make initial inquiries to find out the rate that other performers on the list would charge.
- m) Committee members will try to reserve the Great Hall and the Performing Arts Center for the day of the event. There was some discussion about whether Julio would have to pay to use the Great Hall for the sociology performance.
- n) Alma suggested having student artwork in the Great Hall during the day. Lori and Lisa said that there was artwork created for last year's One Book event by students in the Communication Café talking about their immigration stories that was still available for use.

7. Meeting adjourned 12:33 pm