Diversity In Action Group

Meeting Notes

April 15, 2014

**Members Present**: Sylvia Aguirre-Alberto, Makiko Ueda, Henry Villareal

**Review of the Agenda**

Agenda was approved as presented.

**Approval of the DIAG Meeting Notes of March 18, 2013**

Meeting notes approved as presented.

**President’s Forum for Academic Excellence: Pathways to Student Success Lecture Series**

Henry reminded the committee of the next speaker coming up in two days, Dr. Laura Rendón, Professor and Co-Director of the Center for Research and Policy in Education at UT San Antonio. Her presentation is titled, “Leveraging Student Strengths to Foster Success.”

**Diversity Planning Committee Update**

Sylvia provided several updates. Frist, a request for funding of the Taiko Drum group has been presented as part of the Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month in May. Second, the surveys from the Hodari Davis event have been received with the results being most positive. Third, Fi Tovo is tabulating the MANA conference surveys. The conference which was supported by DIAG attracted more than 600 attendees over a two-day period. Fourth, April 30 is the Opening Ceremony for Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month. A calendar of events will be forthcoming.

**Student Equity Plan**

Henry shared that the State Chancellor’s Office will once again be requiring that each community college submit a Student Equity Plan. At this time he is not aware of the direction that CSM will pursue to complete the plan but does believes a committee will soon be established. The date for submission of the Student Equity Plan to the State Chancellor’s Office is November 21, 2014.

**DIAG Goals and Objectives**

The committee reviewed a draft of proposed DIAG goals and objectives. There was a robust discussion with several suggestions being provided. Henry will update the goals and objectives and present them at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Fall Semester 2014