Multicultural Network Summer Planning Meeting Summary
Wednesday, July 22, 2015
12-3 p.m., Bolton 196

Present: Dao Vang, Ruth Russell, Alejandra Lopez, Olivia Navarro, Gary Williams, Maurina Paradise, Twyla McGhee, Claudia Guzman, Patricia Najera, Diane Amour, Susan Fields, Victoria Pryor, Linda Huang, Alberto Maldonado

Updates

• **AOC** – Ruth Russell updated everyone on the status of AOC. No one knows where it will land, but it’s time to come up with a new model for conditionally admitted students. AOC will be redefined and reformatted, with strengthened partnership with MATC. A lengthy discussion followed. The MN group asked how it can help AOC in this journey.

• **Recruitment** – Alberto reported that the Admissions office intends to increase transfer recruitment. All students need is a 2.0 gpa and 12 transferrable credits. There were questions about the denials (lowest ACT accepted is 15), future of U-Visits, universal application, attending career fairs at Indian Reservations, etc. Diane and Alberto will talk more about recruiting American Indian students. Please let Alberto know which events folks want to get involved in.

• **Lawton** – Linda shared the report from Warren. There were questions on Econ 110, a requirement for all Lawton Scholars. Linda will email everyone a copy of the course syllabus.

Proposals/Future Events

Maurina attended YWCA’s Unlearning Racism = Tools for Action. She wanted to know if that’s something that could be brought to campus for professional development/diversity training. It’s designed to create a better inclusive place for faculty and staff. The program is offered 6 days, 4 hours per day right now. There were no information on cost or if the program can be shortened/tailored to fit campus needs. Where would the money come from to support this initiative?

2015-16 Meetings & Other

The 2015-16 meetings will continue to be held three times per semester in October, November, December, February, March, April.

Linda mentioned about the wonderful job Gaby, Olivia, and Gary did for the “Dig Deeper” workshop on advising African American and Latinx students. Will there be similar workshops on advising American Indian and Southeast Asian students?

Retirement plans were shared, and everyone wondered what will happen to some of the multicultural offices.