

**Los Angeles Community College District
African American Outreach Initiative**

Minutes
September 15, 2009

Attendees: D. Beaulieu (DAS), G. Colombo (LACCD), L. Doffoney (LAHC), S. Lopez (ELAC), D. Fallert, (ELAC), T. Robinson (LACC), T. Wieder (LACCD)

The meeting began at 10:15 a.m.

Acting Chancellor Tyree Wieder arrived to bring greetings to the group.

The following items were addressed per the agenda:

1. Convocation Speaker:

Mr. Amanuel Gebru (LASC) and Ms. Phyllis Braxton (LAPC) are the co-chairs for the planning of the convocation. A subcommittee was formed at the August meeting and this group did meet. Minutes/update are pending.

Mr. Gebru reported via email an update to our group stating that Dr. Thomas Parham agreed to be our convocation speaker and is available on Friday, **February 26th**. The group agreed to this date. It is in line with Black History Month and gives us some preparation time although planning needs to be immediately.

The attendees today indicated that the following needs to be addressed immediately to plan for this activity.

- A timeline needs to be developed based on the date of the event
- A Save the Date flyer/email needs to be developed and sent to various campus venues
- A letter should be developed stating the purpose and vision of the activity. This letter will be used for information purposes and to solicit funding for the activity
- A mechanism needs to be established to collect any financial support received for the activity.
- Dean Lopez from ELAC needs someone to attend the **9/25/09** District ASO President's meeting to request funds. Dean Sonia Lopez is the Advisor to the LACCD ASO President's.
- We need to obtain a biography for Dr. Parham to be used along with a letter of support for donations.
- The projected budget for the activity is \$13,000: \$4,000 Speaker; \$3,000 printing/marketing/posters/invites; \$6,000 lunch/breakfast snack. Sources to request funds included unions, foundations, ASO's; an assessment for faculty attending of \$15.00/person
- It is hoped that a letter is ready to go out to the field for donations, support, etc. by **Oct. 5th**.

2. Super Sunday Update

- Mr. Skinner was unable to attend the meeting
- The group decided to go forward but not in conjunction with the CSU Super Sunday. We should develop our own Super Sunday. Marketing and planning of this event is essential asap. We should market that we are accessible but it is important to register early. Registration dates should be advertised. More information is necessary on the month this would occur.

3. Fall 2009 Meeting Dates:

The group agreed to continue to meet once a month on the 3rd Tues of each month from 10 a.m.-12 noon. Mr. Gebru is scheduled to coordinate the October 20th meeting. Ms. Doffoney will secure the LACCD Board Room. There was discussion about having the meeting in the afternoon to include teaching faculty. We are considering having the November meeting as an afternoon meeting and marketing attendance to teaching faculty. The district office is a central location and will remain as the location of choice for our meetings.

**4. Western Regional Council on Black American Affairs and A2MEND Conference
Nov. 6-8th – Fullerton, CA.**

- Conference information was distributed
- We are trying to obtain funding for a limited number of faculty and student registrations to be paid by the district as they were last year. Former Trustee Angela Reddock and Acting Chancellor Tyree Wieder will attend the conference. Dr. Tammy Robinson and Ms. Leige Doffoney will present a workshop on Saturday in the Leadership Strand of topics: "Avoiding the Meltdown: Developing and Creating Dynamic Leadership in the LACCD"

5. BFSA

Please continue to send Dr. Tammy Robinson information on the formation and membership of your campus BFSA's.

Agenda items for next meeting on Oct. 20th include at this point: 1) Partnership Program with CSUDH and the Dual Admissions COMPASS Program – G. Colombo.

**NEXT MEETING:
LACCD Board Room
10 a.m. to 12 noon.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Leige Doffoney

AAOI Co-Chair w/ Dr. Tammy Robinson, Dr. Mark Henderson and Mr. Amanuel Gebru.