

LSC Diversity Committee Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2007 – E2046

Membership:

Tim Benson, Janet Blixt, Nick Elias, Tommaso Forosetti, Wade Gordon, Betsy Ingram-Diver, Roger Johnson, Stacy Johnston, Mary Nienaber, Anup Parajuli, Georgia Robillard, Nancy Schumacher, Amy Jo Swing, Celeste Zuinga. Members present are underlined.

Agenda Item Discussion:

1. New Diversity Director

The committee welcomed LSC's new Diversity Director, Wade Gordon.

2. Quiet Space Request

The request for a quiet space on campus was brought to the President's Council meeting on November 19th. Wade Gordon and Vice President Beth Adams are meeting with Vice President Mark Winson in December to further discuss the request. Wade Gordon will bring an update to the committee in January.

3. 2007 – 2008 Events

- MLK Day – the committee discussed ideas to celebrate and bring awareness to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday on January 21st.
- Mixed Blood Theatre will be bringing the production Black Eagle to campus on Thursday, January 31st.
- The committee discussed bringing Teatro del Pueblo to campus in the spring in conjunction with an international/diversity celebration.
- The committee discussed ideas to promote LSC at FinFest, which will be hosted in Duluth on July 23-26 of 2008.

4. Interim Diversity Plan

The college submitted an Interim Diversity Plan to the Office of the Chancellor in November. Wade Gordon will be coordinating the creation of a comprehensive plan over the next few months and will bring ideas to the committee spring semester.

5. Book Club

The committee discussed hosting a book club on campus spring semester to read and discuss *Three Cups of Tea*. This *New York Times* bestseller is the next One Book One Community selection through the Duluth Public Library. Author Greg Mortenson will be speaking in Duluth on Wednesday, March 19th.

5. Other Items

There were no other items for discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Stacy Johnston.