

**Report from the James Farmer Multicultural Center Advisory Committee  
February 20, 2012**

**Members in Attendance: Julius Esunge (chair), Dave Baker (secretary) Leanna Giancarlo, Dianne Baker, Charlie Girard, and Marion Sanford**

The Committee met on Monday, February 20, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. As the first order of business, the committee approved the minutes from the January 27, 2012 meeting. The meeting began with a report from Marion Sanford, JFMC Director.

- The director highlighted some of the major events that have taken place as part of Black History Month Celebration. One of the highlights of Black History Month was the keynote speaker, Angela Davis, Visiting Professor Lecturer, who spoke to approximately 600 students, staff, and citizens at Dodd Auditorium on February 15th.
- The director reminded the committee of several culminating events as part of Black History Month Celebration scheduled for the end of the February including: The Color of Sisterhood (February 22, Combs Hall), 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Step Show and Competition (February 25, Dodd Auditorium) and a Film Discussion: Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin (February 28, Chandler Hall).
- The director provided the committee with a brief summary of the scheduled events associated with the 2012 Women's History Month Celebration, Women's Education – Women's Empowerment. This year's celebration includes 16 events during the month of March.
- The director updated the committee on the status of the Mentoring Program. Since the January 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, the center has received additional mentor applications and is in the process of conducting interviews of each applicant. The center is tentatively planning to facilitate the mentor training at the end of March.
- The center continues to work on developing an alumni data base. Currently the center is utilizing the help of a student to consolidate the data base.

Julius Esunge reminded the committee members that decisions regarding the 2012-2013 JFMC Advisory Committee will need to be made within the next two months. Several questions were raised related to the structure of the committee, length of the terms for committee members, and the requirements for chairing the committee. Julius said he would find out the answers to these questions and report back to the full committee in March.

The advisory committee meeting ended at 4:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the JFMC Committee is scheduled for March 23, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

David Baker  
Secretary