

Minutes of the Meeting of the James Farmer Multicultural Faculty Advisory Committee  
Of March 26, 2014

Present: Gina Noh, student rep; Marion Sanford, Center Director; David Baker, Connie Smith, Chair

Minutes of the last meeting were unanimously approved.

Director's Report: There was a large meeting this a.m. mostly about the Anderson Center as the rain location for the Multicultural Fair, which will be on Saturday April 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some acts could even have to be eliminated should this be necessary. Some groups are continuing to meet on this subject.

For Women's History Month, only a few events remain on the calendar. There have been some cancellations because of the weather. There was a good turnout for the Key note speaker, Regina Barr. Some students have already contacted her to thank her and express their appreciation. Friday and Saturday March 28 and 29 will be the presentation of *The Vagina Monologues*. Flyers are already out for the Islamic Cultural Celebration. (Arab Culture Night is also upcoming, but it is sponsored by the Arabic Language Club). The main event is Thursday April 3, the Key Note address by Salma Elkadi Abugideiri.

The Social Justice Program, open to twenty-five (25) students continues with a Monday lunch. The topic for this session, led by Meghan Conley, is Immigration Reform.

The RISE (Resources Inspiring Student Excellence) Program is reviewing applications for mentors; a 2.5 GPA is necessary. Twenty-one (21) students have applied to date. Six current mentors want to continue, and eight mentees wish to become mentors, both of which speak to the success of the Program. There will be outreach to new students mid-May.

Still to come this semester: the Passover celebration, the Senior Recognition Program, and the end of the year RISE program. Because the Director was called away to another meeting, the meeting adjourned somewhat early.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Smith, acting secretary