Diversity and Social Justice Committee

Minutes

September 7, 2018

Members in attendance:

Kim McFall

Conrae Lucas-Adkins

Lanai Jennings

Ruthann Arneson

Feon Smith

Wendi Dunham

* The committee discussed plans for the upcoming Diversity Presentations on the South Charleston and Huntington campuses. The South Charleston presentation is October 10th from 1-3. The Huntington Presentation is 1-3 on October 12th. These presentations are a response to the CAEP report and will provide information to faculty on strategies to enhance inclusion of diversity in teaching.
* Proposed Outline
  + Introduction of Presentation and the Focus (Kim & Feon)
  + Experience from a recent COEPD Graduate (Kim’s student)
  + Experience from Professor (Nega)
  + COEPD Training of Candidates for Appropriately Identifying ELLS for Eligible for Special Education (Wendi, Lanai, Conrae)
  + Current Efforts of the COEPD Faculty (Ruthann)
* Discussion was held on HSTA and how to reach out to minority and 1st gen. college students. Possibly this committee can sponsor a recruiting event tied to HSTA. Feon is actively involved in this organization and can support our efforts to reach out to the members of this community. this is an area the committee wishes to investigate further.
* Feon shared information about the Diversity Conference on the Marshall Campus, September 28th. She provided information to the members of the committee on the session “Crossing the Line”. She will provide additional information to the group to get their input and how they will participate in this presentation that Feon and Sherry are facilitating.