

## **ASIAN FACULTY AND STAFF ASSOCIATION (AFSA) BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Friday, September 12, 2014**

**2:10 – 4:00 PM, PHS 129**

Attendance: Martha Vungkhanching, Qin Fan, Srinivasa Konduru, Woonki Na, Gena Lew Gong, Marlene Miyasaki, Deify Law

- Quorum was reached as 6 out of 10 board members attended. Martha called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm. Agenda was approved. Minutes of August 18, 2014 meeting was approved.

### **Agenda Items:**

#### President's Commission on Human Relations and Equity Event

- Martha met with Dr. Cynthia Matson and Vicki Taylor to discuss about AFSA hosting panel discussions for Diversity forum scheduled for October 28, 2014. Dr. Robert Teranishi, an associate professor of higher education from NYU, is invited to be the keynote speaker.
- Martha gave the board a copy of the tentative schedule she received from Dr. Matson for the Diversity Forum, October 28, 2014
- Martha suggested faculty to encourage students to attend the Diversity forum and possibly consider giving them credits for attending.

#### Suggested AFSA Morning Events of Diversity Forum

- 10:00-10:15 AM: Srinivasa suggested to give an outline regarding new demographic data of Asian population to Dr. Matson of year 2013.
- 10:15-10:30 AM: Presentation of AAPI survey findings
- 10:30-11:00 AM: Small group discussions led by faculty/staff about what faculty/staff can do to improve students' well-being on campus
- 11:00-11:30 AM: Discussion led by a moderator

#### Panel Discussions

- Jody, Gena, Mailee Lee, and Cher Teng are nominated to participate on the faculty/staff led panel discussion. Gena will follow up with Cher Teng to confirm his participation on the panel.
- Four (4) students are suggested to be nominated to participate on the student led panel discussion.
- A set of questions/topics for the panel discussions are discussed. The panel discussions will primarily focus on issues/challenges faced by Fresno State AAPI students.

#### Moderator's Topics

- Moderator's topics are discussed. Topics include but not limited to academic struggles of first-generation college and AAPI students, lack of awareness on Asian students at the university who also needs additional academic assistance, and etc.

### **Next Board Meeting:**

The upcoming board meeting is scheduled on October 10, 2014 from 2 to 4 PM at room PHS 129.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Deify Law