**Diversity and Women's Initiative Committee**

February 6th, 2009

University Center, Fireplace Lounge at 1:00p.m.

I. **Call meeting to order**: 1:01pm
II. **Roll of members**: Logan Rutledge, Dusty Pfundheller, Co-Director Pineda, Co-director Lauren Evans
III. **Introduction of guests**: Tracey Pollock of Rise up for Women's rights
IV. **Approval of minutes**: no minutes
V. **New Business** :

a. **Wisconsin Hmong Conference**
   i. Hotel blocks "We are currently unsure of how many people will be coming to the conference" –Dir. Pineda (Note: Kevin Thor has become a major source for this event)
   ii. Food? –"We plan to use Sodexho for the food" – Dir. Pineda (Sodexho for food)
   "I can talk to Susan of Sodexho, for discounts and offers"- Dir. Evans
   iii. Advertising (General comment: Inform Rita as soon as possible despite the late reply. If it is too late then the printer will have to be a solution) "*Our Goal is to advertise as much as possible." – Dir Pineda*
   *Director Pfundheller and Director Pineda have taken this project. Pineda estimates a large amount of people coming to campus for this event.*
   *Director Pineda: I will contact Kevin Thor, the leader of the event on how to organize this event effectively.*
   *Director Pfundheller: I have his number it is (651-210-6203)*
   *Pfundheller and Pineda plan to set a meeting for the 21st. Pfundheller will contact Pineda as soon as he can..*

b. **Take Back the Night**
   i. Past event- want to follow past itinerary
   ii. Get a plan together- Tracey will come to the DWIC meetings up until Take Back The Night in order to help us plan
   iii. Get information for advertizing to Rita Zawislak-Brandt
      1. Posters are almost done- INFO!!!!
      2. Just need info to place on the posters: Information- April 1st in the West Side of Riverside commons ;Time?
   iv. Find out about table tents- "Dir. Get information to Rita ASAP it is the only thing holding us back in information"
   v. Closed circuit TV- Lauren has spoken to Rita Zawislak-Brandt all she needs is the information
   *Tracey Pollock: " Because of the change on the Social Justice Calendar you might have to contact the professors of Women's Studies to inform them of the change."*
   *-St.Croix Valley Alliance Against Family Violence- meeting Next Thurs. 11:00- go to get more community involvement. "I will take that Thursday to go"- Dir. Evans*
   *Tracey Pollock: " Contact Chris Miner is in charge of this organization. I will email you the information."*
   *"This event has been going on for years so I do not believe it will be hard to get funding" Tracey Pollock- in argument about being rejected for funding. In argument for Cultural tradition.*

c. **Building Unity Retreat- (**due to the allotted time we have before the date of this event we have voted to move this objective to Feb 24th)
   i. Advertising for the event
   ii. How many and Who are we going to send
   iii. April 24-26th, 2009
   iv. Transportation/lodging/Food
   v. Applications due April 3rd, 2009
      1. This will allow for 2 week Finance and Senate approval

d. **Academics and Minorities Union Plan**
   i. Building a proposal
      1. Talking to minority Orgs. about getting involved
   ii. Take proposal to Torion by February 26th, 2009
   *Dir. Pfundheller: "Just keep in mind that there are a lot of people a part of AASA so it would be extremely difficult to keep track of people who are academically struggling."*
   *Dir. Evans "I am aware of this. This organization comes together to find a way to stop that; as an initiative to help minorities who are struggling."*

*"I wanted to have us meet with the clubs in order to make a plan for their presidents to come to our meeting. (The week of the 26th so Tuesday of the 24 at 5:00)*

e. **Unity in the Community-** "Dusty and I will take care of this event and will set a meeting in the future for our planning."- Dir. Pineda
   i. Shirts
   ii. Who is going to be there performing?
   iii. Food/Snacks/Drinks

Additional items/announcements:

**Adjournment**:

The next meeting for the semester of the Diversity and Women's Initiative Committee will be ~~Thursday February 4th, 2009 at 4:00p.m.~~ in the University Center fireplace lounge.
Meeting has been moved to Feb 10th. Regular meetings will be once every week; Tuesdays at 5:00pm