Diversity Awareness Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/15/08

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: 1874, University Center

Members present: Brad, Keila, Ruth, Lexi, Lindsey, Mark, and Dr. Rellen Hardtke

1. **Conference Possibility** (Dr. Rellen Hardtke)

2. **Unity Updates and Tasks**
    1. Tibetan Monk Sand Art: Brad has contacted the University of South Dakota relative to the group.
    2. Step Group: Karyn has contacted the step group but has not received
    3. HOLI with DESI: Lexi emailed them this past Friday; Keila will also try to contact.
    4. Native American Dance Demonstration: Mark has talked with members of the NAC who are contacting people with LCO regarding a Powwow demonstration.
    5. Swedish Institute: Lexi contacted the Swedish Institute and gathered a number of possibilities.
        - Folk group $200.00
        - Children's Fiddle $200.00
        - Adult Fiddle $300.00
        - Folk Music $200.00
        - Kathy Dowd (art, painting demonstration) Cost is still a question.
        - Key Fiddle $200.00
        - Folk dancers $200.00

        The committee agreed that we should schedule the Children's Fiddle and further discuss the other options at a later date.
    6. Nursing Home: Karyn has contacted Linda Alvarez about resident's background and their ability to come to campus for the event.
    7. Guatemalan Dance: Keila has contacted the group and will inform them of the date of Unity.
    8. Henna Tattoos (Karyn) No Report
    9. Face Painting: Mark informed the committee that face painting relative to Native American culture is not a possibility at this time.
    10. Videos: Mark will check into the viewing rights on the Native American DVD's
    11. Rehearsal: April 15th Tentatively: Brad has booked the Falcon's Nest for rehearsal practice and presentation of the groups performing at Unity. This will provide the committee with a view of the performances as well as commitment to purpose.
    12. All groups and organizations will be notified and asked if they are will to participate in the performance part of Unity. i.e. GSA, Break Dance, BSU, Dance Theater, ISA…….They will also be invited to set up tables relative to their organization.

3. Unity Food:
    1. What should we serve? Food will be available through the university food service provider; regular and cultural options will be considered at a later meeting.

4. DAC Outing:
    1. Nov. 19: Midtown Global Market: Minneapolis: Brad informed the DAC that this outing has been scheduled and that we would leave campus about 4pm and return between 8 and 9 pm.
        i. Dinner and Irish Dancing and Lessons

5. Upcoming Events:
    1. 10/16/08: Global Drum Project, 8:00 pm, North Hall Auditorium (Thursday): Everyone was invited to attend this free event on campus
6. Other?
    1. Book Club: This is part of the Social Justice Series. Discussion centered around increasing attendance such has filling out a reflection card and receiving a t-shirt and book. The DAC thought that the committee should read the book first.
        i. Facebook
        ii. Table?
    2. Keila informed the DAC that the Latino's were having a gathering on October 23rd . Titled: **Columbus and Identity** It will take place at the Journey House, dinner is $1.00 and the speaker is at 5:00
    3. Mark informed the committee that the NAC has adopted a new constitution and submitted it, the group now exists again.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm