## <u>Minutes</u> DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) Committee Meeting March 3, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. Teams Meeting

Committee officers and members in attendance: Edna Yokum, Donna Oracion, Dina Jenks, Annemarie May, Valerie Ibarra, J.T. Keith, Emily Aspass, Destinee Salayandia, Stephanie Venegas

Guest: Jessica Small (ENMU Portales)

- I. Leader, Edna Yokum called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.
- II. Changes to Agenda-New Issues: Need a new secretary for recording minutes.
- III. Approval of Minutes from June 10, 2021 & August 5, 2021. Motion to approve by Annemarie May, seconded by Dina Jenks.
- IV. Open Issues:
  - a. Charter Review and Approval Charter was approved in October unanimously.
  - b. June and August 2021 minutes were approved (see above, bullet point III).
  - c. New meeting time was discussed and agree upon. Agreement to hold meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. was motioned by Dina Jenks. Seconded by J.T. Keith. Motion carries.
  - d. Fellows Leadership update Stephanie Venegas gave update about Woman's History Month recognized at the Fellows training.
  - e. A guest speaker for the DEI committee meetings was addressed. There was a recommendation of extending the invitation to Dr. Gilliam Smith from WESST to come and speak to the DEI committee in May. Perhaps a brown bag lunch would be acceptable for a lunch meeting.

## V. New Issues

- a. Edna suggested to nominate a new Secretary for the DEI committee since Dina has taken a new role at the campus as the Executive Administrative Assistant to the President and would like to relieve Dina of the responsibility of taking the DEI minutes. Todd DeKay moved to nominate Ruth D'Arezzo to be the new Secretary. Destinee Salayandia seconded the motion. Motion carries.
- b. A suggestion to have Yazzie Martinez visit the committee to discuss a session reflection was made. Subject was tabled for another meeting.
- c. Community & Student DEI comments and concerns were addressed. A suggestion was made to take the data gathered from the DEI plan review and planning session and put it in a report for the next Administrative Council Meeting. This will be reviewed and put together by Annemarie May.
- d. Public Comment Todd DeKay made an announcement that the UFO Food Pantry received \$20,000 from a grant to house on campus. The Foundation has donated another \$20,000 as support of the food pantry.

VI. Adjournment-Motion to adjourn by J.T. and seconded by Annemarie May. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Next meeting has been planned for Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.