## Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing Diversity Advisory Board Minutes

DISCUSSION

## Attending:

Allyssa Harris, Kalie Paracvino, Stewart Bond, Yaguang Zheng, Kathy Yi, Jinhee Park, Holly Fontenot, Bill Fehder, Helen Au, Dorothy Jones, Colleen Simonelli, Cailtlin Gilchrist, Allison Postlethwait, Abiola Nyarko, Ali Jean-Peirre, Joshua Lacey, Bridget Reposa, "Gabriella Zabbo, Emily Maulucci, Janet Hehir, MaryBeth Crowley, Susan Gennaro, Deb Washington, Luanne Nugent, Julianna Gonzalez-McLean, Tam Nguyen, Joanna Maynard, Danny Willis, Debbie Wenstrom, Sean Clarke, Rollie Perea, Judith Shindul-Rothschild

Chair: Tam Nguyen/ Julianna Gonzalez-McLean

Recorder: Allyssa Harris

**Date:** Nov 18th 2016

**Place:** Maloney 365

**Time period:** 12:00p – 2:00p

**Date Approved:** 4/21/2017

**Next meeting:** TBA

TOPIC

1. Introductions & Review of Agenda Items

ACTION

- 4. Review on-going work & action items from last meeting
  - Student representatives, strengthening their voice & roles
- The students shared that they appreciated monthly meeting with T Nguyen & J Gonzales. Strengthening/ clarifying student roles and outreach efforts is ongoing.
- T Nguyen & J Gonzales will continue to meet with students monthly

- Student Diversity climate results and follow-up
- T Nguyen re-summarized the climate survey results, highlighting the disparity in responses from White and AHANA students, as well as key themes that emerged.
- Students, faculty, staff, and external advisory board members provided suggestions for moving forward:
  - o Faculty & Staff training suggestions: Verna Myers/ Tracey West IDI assessment & consultants Harvard Power & Differences program **SEED** \*Need to engage clinical faculty (i.e., keep them on our radar)
- J Gonzales & T Nguyen will explore these options

- to educate students on how to handle issues/concerns they encounter within the clinical arena. Dean Gennaro has used these in her class. She suggest a wiki for canvas to access the videos and other relevant resources.
- o Videos of diversity issues were made

O Need to provide more opportunities for interaction (space for students, faculty, and staff to share stories) and experiential learning

Scrubs retreat is a great start Adding an experiential learning opportunity in Freshman Seminar will be ideal Lab and post-conference meetings are also ideal

O Sexuality/Gender identity is absent from our curriculum

Collaboration with Fenway Health was suggested, H Fontenot is willing to facilitate
We need to think about reaching out to a local expert in this area to invite into our DAB

O Need to improve diversity in student body

We should encourage more of our students to return to their high schools.

We should also facilitate visits from high schools that serves students from diverse background We should invite more of our students of color to Alumni panels and Admitted Eagles day

O D Washington suggested hosting a Future of Nursing webinar that highlights our efforts  J Gonzales and T Nguyen will follow-up with H. Fontenot to explore additional options, as well as reach out to LGBTQ clubs/resources at BC.

 J Gonzales will work with the CSON leadership team to incorporate some of these ideas

T Nguyen will follow-up with D
 Washington to explore this opportunity

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