

Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity

Monday, November 29, 2010

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Graduate Life Center, Room B

Present: Perry Martin for William Lewis, Hal Irvin, Ellen Plummer, Jim Snyder, Cris Thompson, Jean Brickey, Meghan Kuhn (vice chair), Connie Wilkinson, Nathan Lavinka, Sam Riley, Mark Cartwright, Ross Edmonds (chair), Diego Troya, Anna LoMascolo, Lee Lovelace, Craig Brians, Emily Satterwhite, Guy Sims, Jody Thompson, Keisha Riley

Absent with Notification: Karen Jones, Bruce Hayden, Terrence Austin, Justin Graves

Absent without Notification: Kim Beisecker, Alan Grant, Kelly Belanger, Virgilio Centeno, Bradley Klein, Christine Snider, Aditya Johri, Jon Jaudon, Frank Hernandez, Chaney Mosley, Lubna Chowdhury

Next meeting is scheduled:

Monday, January 31, 2011 in Room B of the Graduate Life Center from 10:00-11:30 a.m. May be cancelled depending on agenda.

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM

Minutes of November 8, 2010 meeting approved with minor corrections.

The Diversity Progress Summit implementation subcommittee will be meeting to develop plan for the summit. Recommendations will be forwarded to CEOD chair for review.

The Holiday letter was reviewed and recommendations were forwarded to Dr. Lewis. The updated letter was read to the committee. Positive commentary was shared following the reading.

Dr. Ellen Plummer reported on the Scorecard which was presented at the November 2010 Board of Visitors meeting. Ellen highlighted the areas of most interest to the commission and field questions and points of clarification. She indicated that further exploration of the data used to support the Scorecard can be found on the President's page (VT website). She will send the specific link to CEOD chair for posting on Scholar. The subcommittee charged with reviewing the 1025 policy met and are awaiting final data before submitting their recommendations to the CEOD.

Meghan Kuhn reported on her preparation of the Diversity Progress meetings with Dr. Lewis.

The Strategic Goals committee will meet in January 2011 with Dr. Lewis.

Announcements:

- AIDS Awareness Week has commenced. Activities to be posted to Scholar
- The International women in Need are holding their Bead Sale on Wednesday, December 1 from 6-8 PM in the Torgerson Museum.
- The Advancing Diversity conference will be held on January 16th, 2011. Information to be posted on Scholar.
- The Women's Center is coordinating Women's History Month (March 2011). Please check their site (<http://www.womenscenter.vt.edu/>) for their Call for Programs.
- Martin Luther King week activities to include keynote speaker, Dr. Johnetta Cole (Bio info: <http://www.vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2010/11/110810-odi-cole.html>) will serve as the MLK Speaker on Jan. 17th, 2011, 6-8 PM in the Burruss Auditorium. Tickets are free and available through the Squires Ticket Office.
- The film, [Waiting for Superman](#) is currently playing at the Lyric: Monday, November 29, 2010, Tuesday, Nov. 30, & Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully submitted by:
Guy A. Sims