



# DRAFT Student Equity Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 14, 2017  
 SSV 151  
 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**Type of Meeting:** AVC Student Equity Working Group Meeting (*Regular*)

**Note Taker:** Darlene O’Keeffe, Clerical III

**Please Review/Bring:** Agenda

**Committee Members:**

Dr. Jill Zimmerman – Dean, Student Life  
 Rashall Hightower-Stickel – Director, Student Equity  
 Crystal Garcia – Program Specialist, Student Equity  
 Wynter Love – Program Specialist, Student Equity  
 Tynisha Steans – Program Specialist, Student Equity  
 Darlene O’Keeffe – Clerical III, Student Equity

Dr. Morenike Adebayo-Ige – Faculty, Rhetoric and Literacy  
 Towana Catley, Faculty, Counseling & Matriculation, Palmdale Center  
 Dr. Svetlana Deplazes - Research Analyst, Institutional Research  
 Yuliana Sandoval – Technical Analyst, Financial Aid  
 Wade Saari – Classified, Assessment  
 LaDonna Trimble – Dean, Enrollment Services  
 May Sanicolas – Faculty, Counseling & Matriculation

Items	Person	Action
I. Equity Proposals for 2018	Rashall Hightower-Stickel	<p><b>Issues Discussed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wynter Love gave an overview of the new ARCHES program for homeless students.</li> <li>● Towana Catley mentioned that Palmdale students are having difficulty feeling connected and knowing what services are available to them, and what events are happening.</li> <li>● Dean Trimble gave an update about the Integrated Plan and the progress made to date. Plan heavily driven by closing equity gaps.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 5 goals now set</li> <li>○ Each area should describe the activities that need to be performed in their area in order to address each goal.</li> <li>○ Reports will be submitted to the Board and Chancellor’s office through a new platform, which will require user training.</li> <li>○ Report completion date is in Dec.</li> <li>○ When submitting proposals to Equity, think about how they cross over for collaboration, and connect them to the goals set out in the plan.</li> <li>○ Upload information on Professional Development opportunities so all can share. Tie travel and activities that and tie everything we do to the plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Follow Up Items:</b></p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Student Life and Student Services have on their agenda to do tabling for Spring semester, with each division represented one day a week, in addition to possibly having a Candid Conversations, and other events in Palmdale</li> </ul>
<p>II. Umoja Conference Recap</p>	<p><i>Rashall Hightower-Stickel</i></p>	<p><b>Issues Discussed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 20 Students and 10 Staff/Faculty attended</li> <li>● Towana mentioned how our students represented AVC very well. Our students stepped up, making the registration process easier at the conference. They took initiative, going outside of our group and interacted well with others.</li> <li>● The students received a tour of the Capital and got an opportunity to be on the floor of the chamber. A Representative talked with the group.</li> <li>● The group attended an HBCU event. Two SOAR students received Presidential Scholarships</li> <li>● Students not only interacted and set an example at the conference, but also banded together to help one another.</li> <li>● Students asked Keynote Speakers questions, and were active in voicing their opinions and questions.</li> <li>● Examples were provided of students returning from the conference very motivated and taking more initiative about their own success.</li> </ul> <p><b>Follow Up Items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Forward reflection papers to Committee</li> </ul>
<p>III. HBCU Caravan Recap</p>	<p>Rashall Hightower-Stickel</p>	<p><b>Issues Discussed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 22 Schools were visited</li> <li>● 6 students were accepted on the spot, and students received scholarships</li> <li>● Students were very engaged and made important connections</li> </ul> <p><b>Follow Up Items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bring HBCU Caravan back next year</li> <li>● Reach out to High School partners</li> </ul>

<p>IV. Upcoming Umoja Convocation</p>	<p>Rashall Hightower-Stickel</p>	<p><b><u>Issues Discussed:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● February 23-24, Theo Wilson will be speaking about spreading outside of our silos, and how to work together to close Equity gaps.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Follow Up Items:</u></b> None</p>
<p>V. Upcoming Tim Wise Speaking Engagement</p>	<p>Rashall Hightower-Stickel</p>	<p><b><u>Issues Discussed:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Feb. 26 Tim Wise is speaking on Privilege and Equity gaps in education in two sessions, which will be open to the community. 4:00pm to 6:00pm, and 7:00pm to 9:00pm.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Follow Up Items:</u></b> None</p>
<p>VI. Other Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Rashall Hightower-Stickel</p>	<p><b><u>Issues Discussed:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● As part of the work we've been doing with Umoja we got an agreement from California African American Museum to host 3 traveling galleries: Allensworth, CA, History of Black Press, and Historical Black Churches of LA</li> <li>● The state asked us to host an Umoja retreat on campus in March so that we can train more of our Faculty and allow other schools to participate.</li> <li>● Tonight there will be a book reading on campus by Jason Perez.</li> <li>● This week UC Davis will be conducting workshops on campus, helping students create their personal statements and complete their applications to gain acceptance to the UC system.</li> <li>● Friendsgiving is next Tuesday. 230 RSVPs. Last year there were about 130 RSVPs and over 500 people attended.</li> <li>● BooksH.E.L.P., SRC, and Campus Connect applications are now open for Intersession and Spring.</li> <li>● John Vento is working to close the Equity gaps in the Honors program and asked for help with phone calling and outreach to African American or Bi-racial students who meet the qualifications. Phone banking was conducted and about 46 students showed up today to our Umoja sponsored honors recruitment event.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Two more sessions Nov. 29 at 3:00pm, and Jan. 2 at 2:30pm in APL 206</li> <li>● Dr. Adebayo-Ige provided an overview of the new ReadtoSucceed initiative, which Student Equity is sponsoring. She needs help to spread the word. Purpose is to increase student's confidence in reading. Wynter suggested reaching out to HD instructors.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Follow Up Items:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Provide members with more information on the Umoja Retreat</li> <li>● Forward Flyer for upcoming Honor's recruitment events</li> </ul>
<p><b>NEXT MEETING DATE:</b> Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM</p>		