Committee for a Multicultural University

Minutes of: December 15, 2006
Approved on: February 2, 2007

Members Present: B. Seabury, P. Coleman-Burns, R. Holland, J. Matlock, L. Monts, N. Stallings, L. Carr (SACUA Support Staff), D. Baar (recorder)

P. Coleman-Burns convened the meeting at 12:00pm

(1) P Coleman-Burns handed out committee agenda for review
(2) Member Stallings reported to the committee regarding Blueprint Committee.
   a. Blueprint Committee looking to report to President Coleman by Feb. 15
(3) Committee discussed issues regarding the Diversity Council and Provost visit
   a. Commitment of UM is to continue current policies regarding diversity. UM will not make changes regarding diversity policies and procedures until forced to do so.
(4) Committee discussed written Resolution to Senate Assembly regarding Prop. 2
   a. B. Seabury presented recent changes/amendments made to the current resolution
   b. P. Coleman-Burns inquired about evidence of voters being deceived by the wording/presentation of Prop. 2
   c. Committee discussed that if SACUA were to disapprove of the Resolution, CMU and Chair Ortega could take the Resolution directly to the Senate and locate study on polling ("Stealth Voters")
   d. Committee approved the Resolution to be in final form. Members recommended that CMU move forward and send Resolution to Senate Assembly
   e. Regarding presentation of Resolution J. Matlock suggested the importance of support and reinforcement in following through with this Resolution.
(5) Committee discussed future ideas for the Winter '07 term
   a. L. Monts suggested that the CMU approach Phil Bowman at the National Center of Institutional Diversity (NCID) and invite Phil or other members to attend CMU meetings.
   b. R. Holland inquired and suggested adding a link to Diversity events on the UM website, or allow public a posting board for advertising events on their own.
   c. Seabury asked about similar groups on campus that have similar agendas and purposes surrounding Diversity and Multiculturalism. How do these groups impact diversity issues and UM?

Meeting Adjourned at 1:35pm

Next Scheduled Meeting: TBD