UCOD Minutes

Meeting of 2/14/2017

Meeting called to order at 2:15

Ed wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day. Isabel passed around delicious chocolates to all.

Present: Ed McCloskey, Michael Garafola, Sal Santa Ana, Isabel Bock, Rachel Grazer, Miso Kwok, Norma Kehdi (from CAE) and new member Kirk White and guest Linda Demer.

Ed introduced new Staff Assembly member Kirk White. Kirk has been with UCLA many years – 15 total – all in Res Life; first as a Residence Director now as an Assistant Director for Student Conduct. The other Staff Assembly appointee, Emily Scivoletto from the Dean of Students of the Law School, will be able to join next month. Ed acknowledged and thanked Michelle Chen for finding these fine staff members.

Linda Demer was at the meeting to ask how we can help each other with employing more staff with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities (IDD's). Linda is a professor in two departments on campus and has had family members who are who are on the Spectrum. Linda referenced and praised AVC Kang and is committed to including all folk at UCLA.

Ed announced that due to some staff changes in the VC of Student Affairs, we won't have KC or Sylvia to take notes. Ed took this month's notes and audio recorded them. We can borrow KC's audio recorder at any time.

We approved last month's minutes with the change of OSD to CAE.

New Business:

Ed announced that Brandie shared with him earlier this month that Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (AVC Kang's area) will be the host site for our website starting July 1. It will save UCOD the \$4,000 that IT wanted to charge for the DCP to maintain the site.

We spent the bulk of the meeting planning for our More Than 1 Way Event for Thursday, April 6 in Bruin Plaza between 11:30 and 2:30. We will use EDI funds that were originally designated for Disability Awareness and History Week but covered by Donna Bryan. Michael talked about the 4 prime activities for the day

1) Tactile Painting

- 2) Dyslexia and Learning Disabilities (LD) Exercise to be organized by Norma Kehdi
- 3) Adaptive Sports/Physical Education Mike will bring sports chairs and possibly hand cycles for students to demo.
- 4) Something Physical Mike is on this. Most likely Wheelchair Dancing on the McClure stage in Bruin Plaza (which we reserved)

We talked about the possibility of having tables at the event. These areas came up to have tables: CAE, Disability Studies Minor, Dept of Rehab, GLAAD or Hands On, WCIL, Autism Society of LA, Westside Regional Center, Achievable Clinic. We will continue to debate who to invite.

Ed and Mike are working closely with the subcommittee of Miso, Isabel, Thomas Griffin and Norma Kehdi. They will do a walk-through of the area. Ed has reserved the space and paid the fee with the CAE budget (to be reimbursed after all fees accessed).

The group needs easels.

Ed reminded the group that we always meet the second Tuesday of the month at 2 pm in Math Sciences 5628 and members will be notified (by email) of any changes in location

Meeting adjourned at 3:15.