Meeting Title: Latina/o Strategies Group April Meeting

Date: 4/5/2017

Attendees:

* Claudia Holguin, Spanish Heritage Language Program/ Romance Languages
* Lorena Landeros, LCB
* Joann Zhang, CMAE
* Makaela Kroin, Oregon Folklife Network
* Michelle Garibay, Office of Financial Aid
* Gordon Hall, CoDAC
* David Woken, History of Latin American Studies Librarian
* Karla Perez-Young, Academic Adviser at CMAE
* Heather Quarles, Romance languages/ United Academics Office
* Audrey Lucero, College of Education
* Jeanne Hall, College of Education
* Feather Crawford, CLLAS
* Cecilia Valdovinos, CLLAS
* Nora Fandino, SSS/TLC
* Sam Matta, Assistant Director at the Career center
* Dulce Castro, Academic Advisor at the Office of Academic Advising
* Rosa Chavez, CMAE
* Perla Alvarez, CMAE and Multicultural Center
* Angel Dorantes, Education Studies

Notes:

1. *Announcements:*
   1. CLLAS two event heritage month 2017 – with the Wayne Morse chair Jose Antonio Vargas, CAUSA back to get an update like last month.
   2. Latino Roots celebration, at the Knight Library.
   3. PATOS Primavera Pachanga- save the date, June 9th, 5-8:30 a baile during the time. Food catered by mamis.
   4. First Friday Communities of Color at the Ford Alumni Center May 5th
   5. MEChA Mural celebration: 6:30-7:30pm May 15th

**Tarea Time**

* + Great turnout – 90 students (goal was 100)
  + More student coming into hours,
  + We should get more departments to do office hours during tarea time and institutionalize it because it attracts students.
  + Other strategies groups are doing the same thing.
  + We need to secure a room that is going to be the room.
  + Banner to set up outside the door than can serve as advertisement- $408 included the design
  + LSG- for a little of funding to get the banner and other departments
  + All of our units to contribute- investing in it. At least $50. We will report back at the next meeting.
  + Dulce and Rosa mentioned at the PDACC meeting that we have to ask student groups to sponsors because we cannot pay for the rooms.
  + Chris the dean of students- said it was a concern – meet with her- the dean of students can get us a space. Seems kind of odd having to ask the students.
  + Need to make it sustainable and permanent
  + For next term we will change Tarea Time to Tuesdays because MEChistas who are in GANAS miss this opportunity
  + Gordon, Claudia, talked to Steve about doing it at the MCC.
  + Conference room next to the MCC – Miller room- could be apossibility.
  + Math tutor is a great resource but we need more advertisement.
  + Talk more to classes to advertise the services.
  + Who wants to talk to Chris Winters at the dean of students to secure a space at the EMU?
    - Rosa, Joann, Claudia and Dulce will.

**Career Fair**

* Roy Juarez visited LSG to introduce himself.
* Sam would like to bring Roy back to share his story with more students
* Career fair is 12-4 today
* Roy is looking for youth for his speaking tour in the fall

**PDACC**

* Quick presentation, it was crowded, all strategies groups were present.
* Presented on the work that LSG has accomplished
* There were 3 groups, one that focused on faculty, another one in communication and student success
* There was a lack of clarity about the process, which opened up a conversation. People were clear and things that need improvement and attention came up.
* There was a meeting scheduled with the strategy groups representatives. Rosa will attend and will report back.

**Visit to PSU**

* Very productive, had a full agenda.
* Met with the Equity and Inclusion VP
* Their highlights were the cultural centers. They have 5 of them. Each aha a program staff and one or two student workers and one staff member. The students take leadership courses to bring collaboration among the student groups.
* Both OSU and PSU have cultural centers = a strong community.
* Learned that the cultural centers exists because they were demanded by student activists.
* All the cultural centers collaborate.
* They all get the same amount of funding.
* OSU is strategic with resources: they share calendar and funding.
* Questions to find out: Who pays for the student positions? Where do the centers report back (is it Equity and Inclusion or Student Life?)?
* Next steps: connect with other strategy groups to talk about these issues
* Invite Ron Bramhall to our meeting to talk about the space in the new center
* Invite all strategies group to that meeting. (An email needs to be sent out to other groups letting them know what we are thinking.)

**Action Items:**

* Report back about department’s $50 contribution for the banner.
* Meeting with VP Alex-Assensoh report back. (Rosa)
* Find out from PSU: Who pays for the student positions at the cultural centers? Where/who do the centers report back to (is it Equity and Inclusion or Student Life?)?
* Connect with other strategy groups to talk about these issues.
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