



DREAMERS TOGETHER COMMITTEE

Meeting Summary

September 14, 2023

12:00pm to 1:00pm

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Meeting ID: 228 518 303 805

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Attendees: Dr. Hernan Ramirez, Loida Sanchez, Marilyn Jimenez, Raul Gomez, Alma Juarez

Start Time: 12:05 pm

A. Welcome! (Introductions) – **Marilyn**

1. The Federal DACA program will not continue for now. No new applications are being accepted. Students can submit applications, but they won't be processed. They are holding the applications. If this legislation goes to the Supreme Court, the outcome of DACA may change.

B. Discussion Items:

1. [Dreamers Together Committee Mission & Function](#), **Marilyn**
 - A link was shared and the group was asked to provide any feedback, comments or edits.
2. Undocumented Student Week of Action (USWoA), **Marilyn & Hernan**
 - Share any ideas for possible events on campus!
 - Marketing USWoA events: A suggestion was made to promote USWoA events 1 week before the USWoA. Also do a reminder post to social media. The URC is hosting a financial aid event on Tuesday, a Legal Defense info session, and a Pledge wall event.

- Social Media Marketing: COC ICC comes up as COC Interclub Council page on social media searches that is making it difficult to tag the ICC social media page. There is no URC social media page.
- Art Gallery, Suggestions: Alma Juarez now oversees the Art Gallery. The art gallery sees 50 students per day. A suggestion was made by Alam to Promote the events for ICC and/or Undocumented Students the Art Gallery. Alma oversees the Main gallery and the gallery in the library.

3. [Compassion Series Part II](#) (Guest Presenter: Esther Villegas Sandoval), **Marilyn**

- Hernan is planning to have his class of 25 people attend the session.
Esther may also have her students attend this event.

4. Book Series, **Hernan**

- ASG Grant was not received. The grant was going to help get copies of the books needed for the book series. Need to identify another funding source.
- Past reading group was hosted with Juan Buriel and Hernan and covered the “Lives in Limbo” textbook.
- **New reading group**: New reading group will be for spring 24. The new book will be “Undocumented Americans” by Karla Villavicencio. Idea is to have an easy ready. Any other book recommendations are accepted. Open the book reading group to students. Advertise to the ICC. Promote it to the URC Club.
- **Intro to Chicano Studies**: Are we having more classes that focus on Chicano classes? There is Intro to Ethnic Studies that is being offered.
- Need to higher faculty to teach Ethnic Studies. Look at employment, health care.

- **Chicano Artwork at the Art Gallery:** Suggestion from Alma Juarez, may be to have an exhibit on Chicano Studies type of work. Have someone come in from on campus or outside talk about Chicano Studies. Bring diversity and bring voice to the community that don't have that voice. Latin X Alliance, having a Chicano Studies talk? Students don't know what this is.

5. Undocumented Resource Center (URC) Handbook, **Raul Gomez**

- There is a copy of the handbook in a google drive. Raul will work on updating it. The handbook has a lot of information but it not necessarily related to the COC student undocumented population.
- There is a URC brochure. There may be two resource handbooks, one for students and one for faculty and staff.

C. Adjournment: 12: 55 pm.

1. Colegas Webinar Series for 2023:

https://cccconfer.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_LLvzEjQASVKHz1YTPRi9qQ

- Sept. 28th: LatinX/E Month

2. Undocumented Student Week of Action (USWoA), October 16-20, [Registration is now open](#) !