



DREAMERS TOGETHER TASKFORCE

Meeting Summary

November 13, 2020

4:00pm to 5:00pm, via Zoom

Attendees: Jasmine Ruys, Marilyn Jimenez, Stephenie Tesoro, Flavio Medina-Martin, Brian , Esther Villegas-Sandoval, Priscilla Benites, Hernan Ramirez, Angeli Francois

Start Time: 4:07 pm

A. Welcome

B. Development of the Dreamers Together Taskforce Mission Statement

1. Who we Are?; Our purpose, the mission & objective, **Flavio, Esther, Marilyn & Stephenie**

- It was suggested to look at other local CCC and UC for potential samples of their mission's statements. It is also recommended to look at other schools Dreamers Centers mission statements to help and begin drafting a mission statement for the Dreamers Taskforce. There was a suggestion to perhaps first develop and frame a mission statement for the new COC MCCC and then move towards creating one for the Dreamers Taskforce.
- There was a following regarding the sub-group that was formed in a past meeting that will help draft the mission statement. As the MCC space grows it may be recommended to bring in individuals from these various alliance groups to help brainstorm what the mission's statement should read as.
- A template form will be created to begin adding ideas. This document can be in the form of a google doc and can be shared with everyone who has agreed to be part of the sub-group. Esther will create the google doc form and will send out to the sub-group members.
- It is also suggested to do a survey with various language samples and send this out to the entire Dreamers Taskforce group to collect feedback as to which version may be working the best.
- The mission statement should focus on STEM, Equity and Alliance. It should be short, to the point and effective. There will also be a need to create a Vision and Purpose. The language should state what the Dreamers Taskforce stands for.

C. Reports

1. Multicultural Center, Grant Soft "Virtual" Opening, *Monday, November 30, 2020*, **Flavio**

- The MCC will include Muslim, LGBTQ, African American, Undocumented and various other marginalized student populations. Each of these groups will have their own safe spaces at the MCC Center. The MCCC Center will also offer various resources for these populations of students.
- There are several virtual grant soft opening taking place. Several leads alliance members will be present.

D. Discussion

1. Projects for Spring 2021, **Flavio, Esther, Stephenie and Marilyn**
2. Planning for Monthly Town hall meetings for Spring 2021, **Flavio, Esther, Stephenie and Marilyn**
 - There are plans to continue planning monthly town hall session for spring 2021. There will be a total of 5 sessions scheduled which will be one a month. A survey will be sent out to the entire Dreamers Taskforce group to collect feedback on which will be the top 5 sessions for spring 2021. There will be no town halls scheduled for December 2020 or January 2021. The idea is to schedule one a month for February, March, April and May 2021.
3. Undocumented Student Alliance Group, **Esther & Marilyn**
 - Need for a Taskforce member to take the lead
 - Hernan Ramirez has agreed to take on this alliance group and be the Undocumented Student Alliance group lead. He will be available for this role in fall 2021. Check in with Esther for a possible co-lead position. Hernan currently is the lead for the LantinX Alliance and having him now be lead for the Undo Student Alliance will be beneficial for both group and various resources can be shared. It was recommended to reach out to Loida Sanchez and Dr. Claudia Acosta as they can also help with this alliance group.
4. Foundation Account for Undocumented Students, **Stephenie**
 - This item was tabled and will return on a future agenda for spring 2021.

E. NEW! Mental Health Resources added to the Dreamers Taskforce Website:

- [How to Support Undocumented Student's Mental Health: Dealing with Trauma and Anxiety](#)
- [Mental Health and other Resources for Santa Clarita Valley and Surrounding Areas](#)
- [Mental Health Resource Card](#)
- Everyone was asked to make note of the new mental health resources on the Dreamers Together website.

F. Announcements:

1. 14th Annual California DREAM Network Statewide Retreat, Nov. 16 – 18, 2020
 - To register for this event visit: <https://chirla.tfaforms.net/f/CDNretreat2020>
 - REWIND: Join for a Political Update and hear a diverse panel to discuss the election, *Monday, Nov. 16, 2020*
 - PAUSE" Mindfulness Workshop led by Social Justice Healers and Counselors,

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020

- MOVE FORWARD: Wrap up with a Strategy Session and Host a Steering Elections!, Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020

2. [Dreamer Together Civic Engagement Town hall with CHIRLA](#), November 19, 2020

G. Closing Comments

H. Adjournment: 5:10pm