Faculty Assembly Minority Affairs

September 18, 2015 Minutes

Attendees: Faye Caronan, Vera Gao, Farah Ibrahim, Chen Ji, Andrea Velasquez, Pamela Medina-Gutierrez

- Review April meeting minutes
  - Approved
- Comments for new Faculty Assembly bylaws? Please send feedback before 10/6.
- Discuss possible action items for the year
  - Climate survey? What were the results? If the climate survey was meant to address how majority population students feel marginalized in class how should minority faculty proceed? What are the best practices?
  - Chen points out that our responsibility as stated in bylaws is to support a diverse faculty or examine policies that affect diverse faculty.
  - What is the university doing to support diverse faculty who teach socially sensitive issues? Is there adequate programming?
  - Action item: We need to find out if diverse faculty are more likely to teach sensitive issues and ask what kind of support they need.