PHHP Diversity Committee
Meeting Summary
February 9, 2015
9:00-10:00 am
HPNP 4102

Present: A. Ali, A. Blue, A. Burne, H. Chapman, B. Dermott, M. Hart, E. Pugh, C. Toth, L. Vostrejs

1. Cindy Toth led the meeting in the absence of a newly appointed chair. The committee endorsed Christy Ewing as incoming chair of the committee. AP: Cindy will follow up with Christy to confirm her interest.

2. Cindy reported that she will share revised action grid with Dr. Perri by email. Pending Dr. Perri’s endorsement of the revised scope of committee’s plan of action, Cindy will share the action plan with faculty council.

3. Brigit Dermott updated the committee on progress with the Health Care Summer Institute. Brigit will meet with the director of the program to discuss having small workshops centered around specific professions. It was recommended to involve current students in the workshops. Brigit presented fact sheets for PHHP professions that are in the works. When completed she will send to each department representative for revisions/feedback.

4. Cindy Toth provided the agenda for the upcoming visit from Tampa Bay Tech students. Cindy requested feedback/suggestions regarding ways to expose students to other PHHP professions, in addition to healthcare administration. AP: Brigit agreed to have the fact sheets completed in time for this event, planned for April 10.

5. Cindy also suggested that the Gainesville High School Healthcare Academy might be another avenue for recruitment of underserved students. AP: Cindy will reach out to the program director to explore possibilities.

6. Helena Chapman reported that she serves as a mentor to Florida Opportunity Scholars and suggested that the College engage with these students. AP: Amy Blue and Helena will work together to explore this opportunity.

7. AP: Committee agreed to look at the Diversity and Inclusion website and to provide feedback at the next meeting.

8. Mark Hart provided an update on the revision of Intro to Public Health. The cultural competence module is being included and the plan is to have the revised course content ready for fall 2015. AP: Mark will touch base with Krishna Vaddiparti and provide information about the CC module at the next meeting.

9. The committee discussed next steps for the Cultural Competence Continuum Workshop. It was agreed to work pilot the workshop for select faculty and staff this summer. If the workshop is successful, it will be offered to the students, faculty and staff in the fall as a supplement to Diversity Day. AP: Brigit will research the curriculum that supports the continuum and report back to Andrea Burne and Amy Blue.

10. The next meeting is scheduled for March 9.