

**The University of Louisiana at Monroe
Diversity Committee**

**Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, March 31, 2008 – Stubbs 218**

Promptly, Rob called our regular monthly meeting to order.

The minutes for two dates (Monday, January 28, 2008 and Monday, February 25, 2008) were approved.

A total of 10 members were present: **eight** faculty members (Dr. Frederick Adams, Dr. John Anderson, Betty Cooper, Secretary, Dr. Robert Hanser, Chair, Dr. Debbie Jackson, Dr. Pamela Saulsberry, Dr. Jerrilene Washington, Mrs. Dinah Williams); **one** member of the Administration (Dr. Wayne Brumifield); and **one** student member (Yakentha Cadet).

One faculty member was absent (Dr. Florencetta Gibson).

OLD BUSINESS

1. Web Page Subcommittee Report by Betty Cooper and Dinah Williams

a. The report of the subcommittee is detailed below:

- i. The web page subcommittee has been in contact with Lindsey Scott Wilkerson, the University's Director of Web Services.
- ii. In the "Links" section of the web page, two hyperlinks are inoperative. These links will be replaced or removed from the site (Informational International Programs and University of Vermont—Diversity Links). Two hyperlinks are operative (ACRL Association of College & Research Libraries—Diversity Web Resources and Diversity Oriented Career Services Web Sites). We'll leave this two links on the site.
- iii. In the "Member Section" of the web page, Lindsey Wilkerson was asked to make the following changes:
 1. Add a photograph for Dr. Frederick Adams
 2. Remove the information and photograph for the following former members that either terminated employment with ULM (Debbie Dameron and Robert Flowers) or they rotated off the committee (Ron Phillips, Johnny Riley, Justin Roy).
 3. Add a photograph and information for Yakentha Cadet, our first student member.
- iv. The committee's mission will remain on the website.
- v. Other website recommendations are as follows:
 1. Cultural Awareness (Diversity) Curriculum Resources Link for Faculty,
 2. Links to other organizations with a cultural awareness function, e.g. International Student, Muslim, Chinese, Pan Hellenic Council, etc. organizations,

3. Calendar of events (Mix It Up, Brown Bags, University Week Sessions, Department of Justice Luncheon),
 4. Kiosk of pictures from the Mix It Up Event,
 5. Pod casts from the last Mix It Up,
 6. Other
- vi. August 31, 2008 is the deadline for finalizing our web page. Betty Cooper and Dinah Williams, the Web Page Subcommittee members, will be the oversight committee to meet this deadline date.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Develop 2008/2009 Goals & Objectives, Calendar of Events & Other Initiatives

- a. Various ideas were discussed. All of these ideas could be featured on our website, using it as a tool to promote our goals and objectives, events, and initiatives.
 - i. Yakentha suggested ways to create more interest in our committee's goals and objectives, events, and initiatives, for example,
 1. Competitive events between dorm residents
 2. International Food Fest to promote cultural awareness through food
 3. Aramark to have certain days to highlight food from various countries
 4. Other

2. End of the Semester Social Function

- a. Betty Cooper suggested a social function to culminate and celebrate the committee's productive year. John offered his residence as the site for this event. He will get with Rob and email the committee members with the details.

Respectfully submitted by Betty Cooper, Secretary - Monday, March 31, 2008