

**THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE**  
**University Diversity Committee**  
September 29, 2008

**Members Present:**

M. Alibeli, J. Anderson, L. Clark, R. Hanser (Chair), D. Jackson, A. Kuanliang, P. Saulsberry, D. Williams, C. Rubio, B. Cooper, J. Washington,

**Members Absent:**

W. Brumfield (excused), E. Hobson (community member - excused), Y. Cadet (student member), M. Khalil (community member), R. Elsayed (student member), F. Adams (excused).

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Dr. Rob Hanser in Stubbs 219. The following items were discussed:

**Item 1 – Old Business**

The minutes from the meetings on August 11<sup>th</sup> and August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008 were distributed, examined, and approved.

**Item 2 – National Hispanic Heritage Month**

The main point of business during this meeting was to ensure that appropriate plans were made to host a workshop recognizing National Hispanic Heritage Month. Committee members provided input and agreed to work together to host an educational workshop celebrating and recognizing Hispanic heritage and history. The date for this event was set on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. Members of the Diversity Committee were encouraged to attend and to invite others who might wish to attend.

**Item 3 – Progress of Subcommittees**

The next order of business entailed updates from each of the subcommittees. The Diversity in Curriculum Subcommittee addressed some of the challenges with identifying curriculum throughout the university that might address diversity issues. The International Subcommittee noted the possibility of joining together with other organizations around campus and committed to creating partnerships. This subcommittee also reported on the number of international students at ULM as well as the total number of countries that these students collectively represent. Lastly, the Website Subcommittee provided a report on its efforts. Rob Hanser indicated that he would send some of the materials from that subcommittee to Lindsey Wilkerson so the information could be posted on the UDC website.

**Item 4 – Potential Committee Party**

Discussion regarding a potential party for committee members was circulated. The specific details regarding this event were left open to further discussion. None were opposed to the idea.

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert D. Hanser  
Chair, ULM Diversity Committee