

GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
MULTICULTURAL & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 13, 2022  
Virtual Zoom  
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Unadopted Minutes**

Mission Statement

The mission of the committee is to develop Multicultural & Community Engagement Center's program policies and procedures; promote the values and objective of the MCEC; and build a campus culture of acceptance and inclusion through engagement.

**Attendees:** Hoover Zariani, Anthony Garcia, David Crawford, Linda Perry, Diana Rivera, Jennifer Quinonez-Skinner, Mary Jane Biancheri, Sonia Alexani Babaroudi, Lilt Sarkisian, Marineh Artuni

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Minutes of May 12, 2022 **Hoover Zariani**  
MSC (Mary Jane Biancheri/ Diana Rivera)  
- Linda Perry made a motion to correct "Rising Scholars amount from \$50,000.00 to \$148,000 for three years".

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. **Program Review has been submitted** (See attached document) **Hoover Zariani**
3. **Lavender Graduation/ Celebration Task Force for 2022-2023** **Hoover Zariani**
4. **Developing Community Partnerships, such as Glendale central library and School district** **Hoover Zariani**
5. **Launching MCEC Podcasts- 5 to 8 minutes long to share stories and experiences** **David Crawford**

**UPDATE**

6. **Dream Resource Center Events and Programs** **Anthony Garcia**
  - Past, present and upcoming events. (See attached document)
7. **Rising Scholars** **David Crawford**
  - Past, present and upcoming events. (See attached document)
8. **Pride Center** **Hoover Zariani**
  - GCC in partnership with Glendale Central Library and the AIDS memorial committee had an event called "Remembering AIDS" at Glendale Central library on October 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information on the shared stories of the impact of AIDS on individuals, their families and their communities, refer to <https://aidsmonument.org>
  - For other past and present events, see attached document.
  - Two upcoming events: GCC Pride alliance on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 10:30AM to 12:00PM  
Transwomen, facilitated by Arakel Aristakessina, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 to 2:00PM

**Minutes submitted  
by Marineh Artuni**

## DREAM Resource Center Events & Programs

- DREAM Resource Center Retreat: June 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Helping dreamers discover their voice through journaling, storytelling and sharing their personal narrative.
- VOICES Banquet 70's Prom Theme: June 17<sup>th</sup>
  - End of the semester celebration with a Prom 70's theme. VOICES invited several student clubs to participate in the celebration
- UPLIFT Kick Party: August 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Undocu-Professionals Learning Innovated Forms to Thrive (UPLIFT) aims to support new students as they transition to college by providing peer mentorship and access to meet with an academic counselor bi-weekly.
- Undocu-Family Welcome Day: September 6<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 6pm
  - New and current undocu students were invited to learn about DRC resources and scholarships. We also encouraged family members to attend the event.
- Undocu-Student Community: Fall 2022
  - The Undocu-Learning Community was created to better support students and provide a sense of belonging among undocu-students.
- DACA and Immigration Updates with CARECEN: September 20<sup>th</sup> 3pm to 4pm
  - Attorney Jessica Viramontes provided Updates on Immigration Reform and DACA to the Glendale community.
- Dia del Los Muertos: Community Building "Ofrenda": Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 12:30pm to 4:30pm
  - GCC students were invited to help build a community Ofrenda to celebrate Dia de Los Muertos.
- DREAM Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Workshop: Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 12:30 to 1:30pm
  - Workshop was in collaboration with College Corps and the Financial Aid Office. Eunice Patron and Anthony Garcia assisted students in submitting the DSIG application.

### UPCOMING Events!

- Undocumented Student Action Week: Oct., 17<sup>th</sup> to Oct., 21<sup>st</sup>

Date	Event Title Description	Time	Notes
Tuesday, October 18 <sup>th</sup> (Virtual)	VOICES/Uplift: Open Mic	1pm-2pm	<b>Hosts:</b> Anthony Garcia  Fundraising effort: Selling nachos. Pending date.

Wednesday, October 19 <sup>th</sup> (Virtual)	Professional & Entrepreneurship Panel	6pm-7pm	<b>Host:</b> Jamie Sanchez  *FLEX/CPGU
Thursday, October 20 <sup>th</sup> <small>(In-Person: SG138)</small>	Cal Dream Act Application Lab (in collaboration w/ Fin Aid)	12:30pm-1:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can email short film links as additional resources.</li> <li>• Eunice: Room reservation</li> <li>• Food: Pizza!!!</li> </ul>
Friday, October 21 <sup>st</sup> (Virtual)	Undocu-Ally Training	10am-12pm	Host: Jamie Sanchez and Anthony Garcia *FLEX/CPGU
Friday, October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Undocu-Short Films	12:30pm to 1:30pm	Hosted by Carley Steiner and Anthony Garcia

- Día de Los Muertos Celebration: Nov., 1<sup>st</sup> 1pm to 2:30pm
  - Aztec Fire Dancers, Sugar Skull giveaways, and a lecture on the origins of Día de Los Muertos.

## **Pride Center Activities Fall 2022 Report for MCE Committee**

**Pride Family Welcome Event** – September 7, 2022 – welcomed new students and provided overview of services and resources available to LGBTQ+ students.

**Self Care Workshop** – September 7, 2022 - Partnering with the Health Center, provided information for students on various ways to take care of self emotionally, physically, and mentally.

**LACCD Chancellor's Advisory Committee for LGBTQIA+** - September 13, 2022 - Attended the partnership meeting that discusses LACCD programs and activities and discussed programs and resources being developed by them.

**Sexual and Gender Identity Development** Presentation – September 14, 2022 – Guest presenter at USC counseling class on gender and identity.

**Let's Chat** – September 21 – An open and welcoming STUDENTS ONLY space designed to provide a safe space for LGBTQ+ students and their allies to share their challenges in school and life and to be able to support each other.

**Prideful Conversations** – October 5, 2022 – This a conversation between faculty, staff, and students and provides more detailed information on what it means to be an ally and develop ways to support our LGBTQ+ students.

**Safe Zone Training – Level 1 and Level 2** – October 14, 2022 - Four hours of training on basic and more advanced training on how to be an ally for LGBTQ+ students and how to create a more welcoming and positive environment on campus.

## **August, September & October Report**

### **Rising Scholar Breakfast with CDCR Parole Agents (9 people attended) Thursday, August 18, 2022**

- The Rising Scholars program hosted Parole Agents for breakfast to discuss the Rising Scholars program and how we can partner with them to serve formerly incarcerated students.

### **September Regional Community Action Partnership (CAP): (10 people attended) Wednesday, September 7, 2022**

- CAP is an Alliance of organizations across Southern California that have an interest in Re-entry efforts. Education, housing, drug treatment, expungement, job development and any resource that helps a returning citizen as they adjust back into the community.

### **Rising Scholars Family Welcome: (7 people attended) September 13, 2022**

- Rising Scholars shared their insights and personal experiences, creating discourse around their lived experiences as formerly incarcerated students.

### **Post-Conviction Legal Relief Clinic Orientation: (8 people attended) September 22, 2022**

- The Collateral Consequences of Conviction Justice Project at Loyola Law School provided participants with information on what documents to bring to their appointment.

### **October Regional Community Action Partnership: (7 people attended) October 5, 2022**

- CAP is an Alliance of organizations across Southern California that have an interest in Re-entry efforts. Education, housing, drug treatment, expungement, job development and any resource that helps a returning citizen as they adjust back into the community.

### **Rising Scholars Action Week Student Panel (7 people attended) October 5, 2022**

- Rising Scholars shared their insights and personal experiences, creating discourse around their lived experiences as formerly incarcerated students.

### **Post-Conviction Legal Relief Clinic (10 people attended) October 6, 2022**

- The Collateral Consequences of Conviction Justice Project at Loyola Law School provided free and confidential expungement services to students and community members across the state of California.

**The Pushouts Documentary Screening & Moderated Discussion  
October 13, 2022**

- THE PUSHOUTS explores the remarkable story of Victor Rios' evolution from school pushout and gang member to UC professor, author, and thought leader on the school-to-prison pipeline. It tells the story of the one-in-three Latino and Black students nationally who do not graduate and are pushed into continuation schools, low-paying jobs, and - too often - the criminal justice and mass incarceration systems.