MSSDC Report to WSSSC Winter 2018

Students of Color Conference Update

Due to rising costs the conference is no longer affordable without additional financial support. Even with increasing the registration fees we will have to explore other options. With increasing keynote speaker fees and the cost of food increasing we are needing support finding more funding. Overall cut \$26,300 to fulfill the needs of the conference and raising costs. There is nothing left to cut and costs are still increasing.

Queer I Am Update

January 12 was the first planning meeting for the Queer I Am Conference. We will continue to include QIA planning in our quarterly meetings. There are some folks that are not MSSDC representatives on the planning committee, they are staff. We would like to ask that those individuals be financially supported by their perspective colleges to attend the quarterly planning meetings (dates below). The dates for the next conference are October 26-27, 2018 at South Puget Sound Community College.

DREAMers State-wide Regional Trainings

MSSDC will be providing One-Day DREAMers Trainings at the end of April (date has not been confirmed) for all the community colleges. We will have the trainings offered at the following campuses: Yakima Valley College, Skagit Valley College, Bellevue College, and tentatively Green River College. This will be open to all colleges and each college can determine which training would be closest to their campus. There will be a cost per attendee (\$30) to cover lunch and handouts. Once the date is determined, a flyer will be sent out.

Bias Based Incident Reporting Teams

MSSDC will continue to work on BIRT. We are partnering with the state wide task force that is creating recommendations for policies, professional development and implementation on all campuses. We will have updates for this at our next meeting in February.

2017-2018 Meeting Dates and Locations:

FALL: October 18-20, 2017 in Ellensburg at CWU, Oct. 19 at Pave the WAY as professional development

WINTER: February 14-16, 2018 at Yakima Valley College

SPRING: May 23-25, 2017 Big Bend CC

SUMMER: August 21-23, 2018 Skamania Lodge

SOCC: April 12-14, 2018 at Yakima Convention Center in Yakima, WA

QIA: October 26-27, 2018 at South Puget Sound CC