

Anti-Racism Committee Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2020

In attendance: Jane Snyder, Chair; Jon Dzitko, Joyce Fredkin, Eugene Goldwater, Manuel Harpin, Pat Hugenberg, Carol Panetta (taking notes 1st half), Vanessa Rodriguez, Shelley Williams (taking notes 2nd half)

Notes:

1. Regarding Objective 1: Faculty, speakers, mentors:
 - a. The Committee reviewed the invitation to mentors, focusing on how to describe the thorny relationship between psychoanalysis and racism to potential mentors. A sub-group can work on this in between meetings, but overall, the invitation looked like an excellent way to attract mentors. Suggestion was made to give some specifics on actual things the mentor would do.
 - b. Regarding speakers:
 - i. Mrs. Williams' friend Dr. Granville is very interested in speaking and would make a good inaugural speaker. Dr. Granville would give an overview of black history in America. During this presentation she would try to help international students understand the importance of addressing injustices against blacks in America. She would like to speak with the committee as a whole. She will join next week's meeting at 3:30pm to discuss the material she will present.
 - ii. Ms. Fredkin reached out to Dr. Carr. Dr. Carr reports she has a psychoanalytic background and would be interested in presenting.
 - iii. Dr. Dzitko will reach out to Dr. Bloom.
 - iv. Dr Hugenberg talked about adding clinical event to the series. Also suggested having a panel.
 - v. The committee decided the first meeting would only be for our community. Presentations will be 1.5 hours long. Presentations should be recorded.
2. Dr Snyder revisited the idea of the committee serving as a place for fielding concerns (Objective 2). The committee will be introduced to students in the orientation meetings each semester.

Next meeting: July 27, 3:00 pm