## Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing Diversity Advisory Board Minutes

## **Attending:**

Administrators: Dean Susan Gennaro, Sean Clarke, Chris Grillo, Jean Weyman

Eaculty: Stuwart Bond, Andrew Dwyer, Joyce Edmonds, William Fehder, Ellen Mahoney, Luanne Nugent, Catherine Read, Father Richard Ross, Sister Calista Roy, Colleen Simonelli, Jackie Sly, Melissa Sutherland, Laura White

<u>Staff</u>: Curtis Bruno, Marybeth Crowley, Matt Dunn, Amy Gribaudo, Janet Heir, Catherine Hill, Brandon Huggon, Sean Sendall, Janet Stout, Matt Williams

<u>Undergraduate Students</u>: Natasha Boateng-Wilson, Sabel Flynn, Caitlin Gardner, Alyssa Hessing, Ali Jean-Pierre, Soo Kang, Teresa Kim, Charlotte Kolada, Kelly Ma, Courtney Mulvaney, Priscilla Nyarko, Kelly Powers, Bridget Raposa, Nick Raposo, Isabel Rodriguez, Kasey Smith, Samantha Tong

Graduate Students: Diane Quiones, Jane Hopkins Walsh

## **Diversity Advisory Board:**

- Norma Martinez Rogers, PhD, RN, FAAN University of Texas Science Center
- Terry Bustos, MS, RN, NYU Langone Medical Center
- Leah Gordon, DNP, RN, CNP, FNP-C Massachusetts General Hospital
- Eva Gómez, RN-BC, MSN, CPN Boston Children's Hospital
- Joana Maynard, M.ED/M.R.E., BAIC, Boston College
- Maria Eden Aguilar Gianan, BSN, NP, CNS Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner
- Rollie Perea, RN, MSN, RNP CareWell Urgent Care

Acting Chair: Catherine Read

Recorder: Brandon Huggon

Date: Friday, October 27th 2017

**Place:** Maloney 365

**Time period:** 12:00p - 2:00p

**Date Approved:** April 6, 2018

Next meeting: April 6, 2018

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Introductions & Review of Agenda Items		
2. Review of April, 2017 Minutes	Minutes circulated and attendees reviewed.	Minutes approved.
3. CSON Diversity Resource Website	<ul> <li>Brandon Huggon provided an overview of the new CSON Diversity Website, a resource created under the leadership of Julianna Gonzalez-McLean, Assistant Dean of Student Services, Diversity, and Inclusion.</li> <li>A visual of the website was offered to</li> </ul>	
	participants	
4. Discussion on Campus Climate and Bias Related Incidents	Alyssa Hessing provided a review of the bias-related racist incidents that took place over the weekend of October 14-15.	Following the discussion, the following suggestions were proposed:  • Keep the dialogue in the CSON community active
	<ul> <li>Catherine Read invited students to share their reactions to the situation         <ul> <li>Student discussed the role social media played in magnifying the incident</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students shared concerns regarding information in nursing text books, recruiting faculty of color in CSON, and the education of incoming students in the nursing profession.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide more diversity education and training to preceptors</li> <li>Dean Gennaro added that the department is developing educational workshops for preceptors regarding microaggressions</li> <li>Being intentional about talking about incorporating diversity in the curriculum</li> </ul>
	Catherine Read invited members of the Diversity Advisory Board to share their	Add updates regarding diversity programming to newsletter whenever

perspective. Members of the board shared the following:  Views regarding a general lack of conversations regarding diversity and inclusion  Perspective on social media and its influence. Discussed the value of having social media also serve as a "counter-voice" to promote diverse thoughts and opinions.  Encouraged students to be voices of influence instead of opposition  The importance of leadership and advocacy for important causes.  Catherine Read invited members of the CSON faculty to share their perspective. Dean Gennaro shared the actions CSON is taking to address student concerns.  (see Appendix A – e-mail sent by Susan Gennaro on October 17, 2017)	<ul> <li>Create in-class activities during Cultural Competency Week</li> <li>Educate all students in areas of cultural competency in required courses so all students are exposed to this content</li> </ul>