



BIPOC Committee Meeting Notes
11-8-2024

Present: Nicky Gonzalez Yuen, chair (De Anza); Jim Nguyen (De Anza), Natalina Montiero (ELAC), Lidia Stoian (staff), Mzilikazi Kone (College of the Desert), Rocio Diaz (El Camino), Robin Daniels (Santa Monica College)

1. Mindfulness and Relationship Building (10)

- the committee listened to a mindfulness lesson from Carolyn Budgell

Committee members shared their experiences since the shocking outcome of the national election

2. A&P PANEL...

Proposed title/theme: “Protecting, Teaching and Empowering Students in an Era of Authoritarianism: Strategic Capacity for Action in California Community Colleges”

Panelists:

- CCC Deputy Chancellor Rowena Tomaneng
- High Profile Student Leader (TBA)
- Faculty Activist (TBA)

Nicky announced that CCC Deputy Chancellor Rowena Tomaneng has confirmed. She also asked what the expected outcome from the session.

Nicky and Jim both shared that one desired outcome was to showcase Rowena Tomaneng and help the audience recognize that with a new progressive Deputy Chancellor who rose up through the faculty ranks, we have real

opportunities to collaborate with the State Chancellor's office in advancing anti-racist initiatives as well as other progressive policy initiatives. The BIPOC committee is putting together this panel to build on the opportunities at hand.

3. Emancipation Through Education Award and next steps-
4. FACCC All-Committee Anti-Racism Project: Liaison report backs and future steps (15)
 - a. The board expressed interest in the student award idea.