

# Values Commitment Steering Team Meeting Minutes

1/27/16

*In Attendance:* Jesus Alfonzo, Christopher Bell, Giovanni Fernandez, Savannah-Jane Griffin, Colleen Price, and Robert Sitler.

## SHIFTING PRIORITIES/GOALS

### **Global Citizenship:**

- Emphasis on a language requirement - university wide matter (dealt with in a number of committees)
  - Simply support individually and as a group - not under our purview
- Conversation with Rosalie - what do we mean by Global Citizenship?
  - No substitute for worldly experience \*\*
  - Challenge - accessibility (all students and all majors), financial hardship
    - How do we get more resources available?
      - Immersion programs for local communities - how do we do more of those programs?
      - Are students making the connection from experiences to global issues?
  - Two prong approach: Study Abroad and support local experiences that broaden perspective
- Goals - reassess the definition of global citizenship, start conversations and assess with Career and Professional Development about financial viability of studying abroad (Paula Hentz present to the Values Steering Committee)

### **Personal Growth:**

- Meeting with Chris Chellberg on Friday, January 29th to discuss faculty/staff wellness
- Follow-up with Facilities (Al Allen) about the refillable water filtration systems installed on campus
- Reached out to students, faculty, staff and received very little feedback = community did not identify any glaring issues

### **Intellectual Growth:**

- Cultural credit project is being moved forward by a specific task force
  - Simply support as a group - not under our purview
    - Want cultural credit programs to focus on quality educational opportunities
- Discussed focusing on Diversity and Inclusion initiatives that are taking place and supporting the efforts of the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force as well as marketing the climate survey going out February 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Discussed the process of hosting a common read or book feast and how we can better support faculty that would be interested in hosting Book Feasts on campus

### **Values Day Planning:**

- Planning meeting will be taking place February 12<sup>th</sup> from 8am-10am to begin planning for Values Day 2016

**Website:**

Savannah and Chris will be working on getting the website updated, if anyone on the VCST has recommendations of things to edit please let them know.

**Follow Up Items:**

Each committee should meet and send a report of updates to Chris Bell by February 5<sup>th</sup>, that he can include in a report to Dr. Libby and Dr. Paul.

**Next meeting Tuesday, February 23rd at 4pm in DeLand Hall Board Room**