APITA meeting 1/26/2020

In attendance:

Cynthia Napali-Abella Reiss, Deborah Ikeda, Gilbert Wong, Judy Chen Haggarty, Mike Fong, Rowena Tomaneng, Linda Wah, Whitney Yamamura, Rina Kasim, Suzanne Lee Chan, Jee Hang Lee Thuy Nguyen, Andy Li, Alexis S. Monteviruen, Wendy Ho, Greg Enholm, Pam Weinstein,

1. Welcome and Introductions of New Officers

2. Update from CCCT Board – Linda Wah

Two APITA members are running for the CCCT Board, Cynthia Napali-Abella Reiss and Suzanne Lee Chan. CCCT is asking for support of the Prop 13 Bond Funding and the BOG is suggesting that every district invite FICMAT to their Districts to review funding and provide a scorecard that gives information about the fiscal health of the District.

Thuy Nguyen mentioned that we now have data disaggregation and it will show gaps for our API groups. The RP Group has taken the data and is doing the analysis for the colleges and districts to show exactly where the gaps are. This RP data will then be shared with the colleges so that action can happen. It’s important that Trustees ask for this data and also request what actions the colleges might take to close the gaps.

3. AAPI Funding Proposal to Legislators (sponsored by APAHE, CSU Sacramento and AAPI Commission) – Rowena Tomaneng

These groups are asking legislators to support some type of earmarked funding (2.1 million but may change) for AAPI populations similar to PUENTE and UMOJA. CSU Sacramento is asking for funding to support an Institute to look at AANAPISI focused research. The competition for AANAPISI Part A grants has been issued and there is a 30 day turn around to submit proposals. Unfortunately, Part A grants have a restriction in that you can have only one Part A grant so if you're an HSI grantee, you cannot also have an AANAPISI grant.

4. New Coalition (APAHE, A2MEND, COLEGAS) focuses on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Higher Education – Rowena Tomaneng

APAHE and A2MEND organizations have been working for years in the areas mentioned above. There is a new Latinx CCC organization of professionals. These three groups have formed a coalition to offer best practices information to the CCCCO. They have a meeting in Feb. with Eloy Ortiz Oakley, Chancellor, and staff to discuss various possibilities including best practices for diversifying administrators and faculty at the colleges.

5. Engaging 2020 Census and the Election – Rowena Tomaneng
Three districts (6 colleges) in the Silicon Valley Bay Area region formed a consortium and applied for funding from the Community Foundation of Silicon Valley to train student leaders in organizing efforts to ensure all constituents are counted. The student leaders will then be responsible for training other students in helping with the Census efforts. Rowena has suggested to all of us to see if external funding is available from local foundations to do something similar in our area. She is willing to share what they have done in their area (please send her an email if interested).

6. Membership Update:
We would like to request that Nicky send out the most updated list on who has paid both personally and institutional memberships. APITA members are not sure if they have paid their dues or not. If Nicky could send out the spreadsheet that shows who has paid then we will reach out to those that have not.

7. Other Business
APAHE, A2MEND, and COLLEGAS are working with the State Chancellor’s Office to see if they can get additional funding through the budgeting process to provide for additional funding for their work. We should consider submitting proposals to the APAHE conference to encourage these members to apply for positions at the CA Community Colleges.

Meeting adjourned.