



Equity and Access Committee

Meeting No 2/2004 of the Equity and Access Committee will be held on Wednesday, 12 May 2004, 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. - (Link Room, Gippsland Campus).

AGENDA

Members having a direct commercial or financial interest in any item before this meeting must declare that interest to the Chair via the Executive Officer prior to consideration of the item, and must not take part in a vote on any matter concerning it.

Apologies should be directed to Marie Robinson, extension 52863

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1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Apologies – Sue Webb, Maree Mayne, Ed Irons, Rosemary Viète, M-T Jensen, Isabella Lablache (Peninsula student rep) Evan Kritikakos, J Brown (Chair) (meeting will be chaired by Tanya Kantanis).

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of Meeting No 1/2004 of the Equity and Access Committee held on Wednesday 10 March, 2004 have been previously distributed.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of Meeting 1/2004 of the Equity and Access Committee be confirmed as a correct record of that meeting.

3. GUEST SPEAKERS ON TARGETTED ISSUES

3.1 Centre for Australian Indigenous Studies – Support for Indigenous Students

Jacinta Fletcher-Walsh, Office Coordinator – Student Recruitment, is no longer with CAIS. Jacinta's workload has been taken by Nerida Whyte. Nerida is now the contact person for the Centre for Australian Indigenous Studies.

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.1 Location of Meetings

The third meeting of the Equity & Access Committee will be held at the Peninsula campus and the final meeting for 2004 will be held at Clayton with voicepoint link-up to Gippsland.

4.2 Student Representatives

The Committee welcomes the new student representative from the Peninsula campus Isabella Lablache. The Clayton campus is still endeavouring to find a student representative to join the Committee for 2004.

4.3 Equity and Diversity Training Workshops

Report – Marie-Terese Jensen

5. NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

5.1 Committee members invited to submit other items of business.

In regard to clarification about the attendance policy for students of strict Religious backgrounds (especially at the Peninsula campus) the Equity and Diversity Centre confirm our beliefs that all staff members are expected to respect the strict religious observance of a number of religions that may preclude a practicing student from attending classes or undertaking specified assessment tasks.

6. GUEST SPEAKERS ON TARGETTED ISSUES

6.1 Tanya Kantanis (Coordinator Monash Transition Program) – Supporting students in transition

6.2 Rosemary Viète – The needs of International students

7. NEXT MEETING

Meeting 3/2004 of the Equity and Access Committee will be held on Wednesday, 25 August 2004, at the Peninsula campus.

Distribution to Committee Members: Dr J. Brown (Chair), Dr B Clarke, Ms Anne Kennedy, Dr Rui Yang, Dr M-T Jensen, Ms T Kantanis, Mr Ed Irons, Mr E Kritikakos, Ms M Mayne, Dr M Osborn, Ms C Skicko, Dr R Smith, Ms R Viète, Ms S Webb, V. Bradford (student rep Gippsland), Isabella Lablache student rep Peninsula)

Copies to: Professor S Willis (Dean), Mr P Lawford (Faculty Manager), R. Winter (Campus Coordinator), Ms M Malherbe (Assistant to C-C), L. Fitzclarence (Gippsland C-C), B. Greaves (Peninsula C-C), Dale Corr (EFSA President).
