

University Diversity Advocacy Council
USAC Committee Report
January 2008

The January 14, 2008 meeting covered the following:

- Committee Reports:
 - University Libraries has developed a series of cultural diversity bookmarks for the public focused on historic moments in the American Civil Rights Movement.
 - The Presidential Lecture Series of speakers is available in the Media Room of the Dunbar Library for anyone who has missed a presentation.
 - Quest Across Campus is set for April 18, 2008 and the theme will be "*Why Do You Know What You Know? Exploring Diverse Ways of Knowing.*"
 - All are invited to attend the committee planning meetings.
 - The Call for Proposals has gone out and collaborative presentations among units are encouraged.
 - WSU Dialogues on Race Relations are continuing to be held across campus, with the next one scheduled on March 6th & 7th. Anyone interested in attending should contact Simone Polk.
 - On January 23rd the Women's Center along with Student Affairs and University Libraries sponsored the campus showing of "What's Race Got to Do With It" – a film about a race dialogue held among students at UC Berkeley.
- Following up on the Diversity Retreat attended by Dr. Derald Wing Sue, UDAC objectives are to operationalize UDAC's values by setting a timeline, identifying resource needs and direction for the Senior Leaders that Dr. Sue also met with during his December 4th visit.
- UDAC once again reviewed edits which have been proposed to the University's Strategic Plan making several recommendations emphasizing the importance of reflecting values of diversity.
- Discussion also took place about assessing and benchmarking the progress that has been made across the campus in areas of diversity within the past 5 years in the areas of student, faculty, and staff recruitment and retention.
- The February UDAC meeting has been canceled.