Subcommittee Meeting Summaries: September 28 – October 2

Staff Issues and Concerns Subcommittee – September 30

At the September 30th meeting, staff revised an email to go out to the Council on Equity and Inclusion that encouraged regular communication and transparency, and development of mechanisms to coordinate anti-racism efforts across the college. Staff also discussed researching staff governance models at other institutions and a plan for inviting other staff colleagues to this subcommittee.

Overarching Organization and Logistics Subcommittee – September 30

We drafted a proposal for a process the Task Force can use to craft and release statements on important events. We edited the letter that came out of the Staff Subcommittee's concern with transparency in communication with the Council on Equity and Inclusion and the PLT regarding anti-racism actions being taken by the administration. The letter will be sent to the whole Task Force for comments before being finalized and sent to the Council and PLT, using the process mentioned above for approving statements. We realized there are things we could use a researcher for in our work going forward and added our request to the researcher request doc.

Immediate Action Subcommittee – September 30

The Immediate Action Subcommittee reviewed the accountability process notes. We will revise and edit this document with the full Task Force's notes in mind. The steps to move on to the next immediate action were discussed, and we will draft a letter to the Board of Regents that inquires about details of the anti-racism training for the new standing committee, Bruce King's support structure, the contents of the survey that the Board administered to students regarding campus life, and ways of rethinking community time. We also discussed Mary Carlsen's Resources for Faculty document, suggesting that the document be looked at by the Dean's Council.

Liaison Subcommittee – October 2

The Liaison subcommittee began the meeting with a visit from Melie Ekunno, president of SGA, who informed the subcommittee on what the historic precedents were for their current activities and what they hoped to achieve moving forward. We agreed to collaborate on an inventory of demands past and present. We also discussed several administrative aspects of the subcommittee: next meetings, facilitators, etc.