

Minutes of May 15, 2019

## **GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Deborah diCesare, Nona Matatova, Ellie Rabani, Marni Roosevelt, Raul Castillo, Maria Calpito, Howard Levine, Sherri Rodriguez

**ABSENT:** Robert Medina, Sorangel Hernandez, Ruby Christian-Brougham, Xiao Behlendorf, Alicen Vera

**CALL TO ORDER** – Deborah diCesare at 2:00 pm.

### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- April 2019 Minutes approved.

### **II. NEW BUSINESS**

- Deborah diCesare informed the committee of a new Title V RFA posted by the Department of Education for the Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (DHSI). The DHSI Program grants enable HSIs to expand and enhance the academic offerings, program quality, faculty quality, and institutional stability of colleges that are educating the majority of Hispanic college students and help large numbers of Hispanic students and low-income individuals complete postsecondary degrees.

The proposal has two Competitive Preference Priorities:

1. Projects that are designed to expand the number of Hispanic and other underrepresented graduate and professional students that can be served by the institution by expanding courses and institutional resources.
2. Projects that support instruction in personal financial literacy, knowledge of markets and economics, knowledge of higher education financing and repayment (e.g., college savings and student loans), or other skills aimed at building personal financial understanding and responsibility.

Grant Writing team is being formed. The main ideas for the new proposal will be finalized through the discussions and brainstorming sessions and through development of outreach, professional development as well as cultural inclusiveness activities.

Howard Levine agreed to follow up with the agency to confirm whether the Indirect Cost is an allowable expense for this project.

Gap form is to be completed by the end of June.

Deadline for the Application is July 15, 2019.

- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Survey was completed by Marni Roosevelt.
- Nona Matatova presented various templates for the LAVC Grants Newspaper.

### **III. REPORTS**

- California Virtual Campus – Online Education Initiative is submitted.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT** – Deborah diCesare at 3:00 pm.