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MEC meeting minutes for February 14, 2019

present: Jennifer Rothchild (chair), Tammy Berberi, Nancy Carpenter, and Autumn Johnson

Because so many people had to be absent because of the weather and other commitments, we did not address the items on the agenda at this meeting. Instead:

- We briefly discussed the changes for the Bill & Ada Stewart Award for Ethnic Diversity. Please see the final version attached. **Please consider nominating individuals and encourage others to do so as well!**
- Those of us in attendance spent the rest of the meeting discussing the recent online exchanges regarding the draft administrative policy: *Equity and Access: Gender Identity, Gender Expression, Names and Pronouns* (See attached.) and how we might best support the Queer Issues Committee (QIC) as they present this policy FOR INFORMATION at the next campus assembly.
 - We talked about where and how conversations on these topics and others could best take place—a forum? Division meetings?
 - Does this campus need a discussion on netiquette and net relations? Does it come from campus governance? MEC? The chancellor? IT?
 - We discussed the possibility of MEC making a statement about the recent email exchange and sending an email of acknowledgement to the campus community, but upon further contemplation and discussion with other members of the MEC outside of our 2/14/19 meeting, I (Jennifer) made the decision that we, as members of MEC, should, instead, **show up and show our support of this policy when it is presented by the Queer Issues Committee FOR INFORMATION at the next campus assembly (Tuesday, March 5). So, please plan to attend campus assembly that day and show our support.**
 - Tammy Berberi has some additional thoughts that she would like to share with us next time we meet.
- Charles Hassinger has resigned from his student position on MEC. We thank him for his service on this committee to date.