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EDC Minutes
March 23, 2021
11:40 a.m.-12:40 p.m.

In attendance: Priyanka Basu, Adrienne Conley, Gabby Holboy, liz thomson, Jennifer Rothchild

I. EDA Training, April 13
II. EDC Minutes Review
III. EDI Announcements (liz); https://z.umn.edu/EDINow
   a. Vigil and Healing Gathering, March 23, 8-8:30 p.m. CDT
   b. Closing Women’s History Month
   c. AAPI Heritage Month - Alice Wong keynote, April 1, 7 p.m. CDT
   d. Author Ijeoma Oluo, April 15, 7 p.m. CDT
   e. Cultural Graduations – Lav Grad, MSP, Honoring, and International
IV. Bill and Ida Stewart Ethnic Diversity Award review
   a. Reviewed Gdoc with description, eligibility, and nomination requirements; https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rtMU3cJhnjMNjE0C9jfDAL_4NQaLrSZpTB4yyGBRWOQ/edit?usp=sharing
   b. Discussed items around equity and inclusion
   c. Overall, people wanted the award to be
      i. Easier, simpler to nominate; 1 cover letter and 1 support letter
      ii. More inclusive of all people working and studying at UMN Morris
      iii. See details on the Gdoc; comments, but also text was edited within the document
      iv. Would like to have this finished this spring 2021, so it’s good for next academic year’s nominations
   d. Discussed language around “ethnic” and “diversity”
   e. Next Steps:
      i. Will continue discussion
      ii. Send to Student Activities
      iii. Touchbase with former Awards Committee