## Community Council Meeting January 24, 2011

Present- Shirley Collado (Co-Chair), Raymond Queliz '11 (Co-Chair), Staff Members: Linda Ross, Linda Schiffer (Alternate), Andrew Wentink, Naomi Neff (Ex-Officio), Faculty Members: Andrei Barashkov, and Quinn Mecham Student Members: James Schwerdtman '11, Kevin Broussard '11 (Alternate), Ariel Smith '11, Riley O'Rourke '12 (SGA President), Zach Hitchcock '13, Addie Cunniff '13, Dan Prior '14 (Alternate)

**Leaving Early-** Rachel Sider (Secretary)

Additional People Present- Karen Guttentag (Sexual Misconduct Policy)

Absent- Janet Rodrigues '12, Joyce Mao

Minutes from the January 17, 2011 meeting were approved (2 abstentions) and will go online. The Council's next meeting is February 7, 2011. Ariel Smith recorded minutes at this week's meeting.

## **Gender Council Proposal Revisited**

Before the voting, members of the Gender Council added the following resolutions to their proposal: The Gender Council would be a resource to improve the campus community. The board will have ex-Officio seats, for administrators, such as the Dean of Students and Director of CCSRE. The proposal's language is open to change. The council will serves as an advisory board similar to the Community Council. The title "Gender Council" is a placeholder name. Lastly the council will function as an opt-in research.

The members of the council decided to hold an executive vote for the Gender Council's proposal. The Council agreed to make a recommendation to the President.

## **Gender Council Recommendation**

We strongly recommend a standing body composed of students, faculty and staff to address issues of the intersection of identity. After careful review of the Gender Council proposal, Community Council recommends that this standing body seriously examine identity issues, including gender. We would like the name of the council to be more broadly reflective of diversity, identity and inclusion rather than specifically gender. This recommendation is in line with the outcomes of the 2006 Human Relations Committee Report.

Accepted: 15 members Opposed: 1 member Abstained: 0 members