

Interfaith Council Meeting

April 1st, 2010

Welcome: Jim Ficklin

Opening Prayer and Devotional: Jim Ficklin

Jim shared that it's possible that one million members of the LDS church worldwide will be participating together for the Easter service via the internet and satellite locations.

Jim then shared from a hymn. He is the choir director at his local church.

Old Business: Minutes approved from March meeting

New Business:

Susan's Update:

- Check out calendar.nmsu.edu
- The Fall 2010 Schedule is out
- American Indian Week begins on April 5th
- Info about Meals of Mercy in Juarez
- The National Student Exchange Conference was two weeks ago in Colorado Springs. There are 15 incoming exchange students and 25 outgoing exchange students.
- Student Leadership Awards/Scholarships... Hubbards, Orozco, Roberts
- There are over 270 student organizations right now with 11 new organizations this semester.

Introductions and Attendance:

Jim Ficklin	LDS
Jeanne Lutz	Lutheran Campus Ministry
Nancy Anderson	Unitarian Universalist
Tara Khozein (sp?)	Bahá'í
David B. Richman	Religious Society of Friends
Jan Archey	Wesley
Susan Waldo	NMSU Campus Activities
Jill Grammar	Community of Christ
Jerry Kane	Hillel
Jim Lehman	Holy Family
Brandon Pelton	[Cru]
Tyler Smith	Aggies for Christ
Michael La Torra	Buddhist Student Group

Jim introduces the need to continue our discussion from last meeting to make changes to the wording in the IFC Constitution in regards to those who have missed meetings over the past year (see last month's notes of the wording change).

Jeannie Lutz motions for the amendment to pass. Nancy Anderson seconds the motion. 2/3 majority was needed to pass. Voting was unanimous.

We voted with secret ballot for Aggies for Christ and Bahá'í to remain as participating members of IFC even though their attendance was lacking. They received sufficient 'Yes' votes to remain as members of IFC.

The Buddhist Student Group was accepted as official members of the Council.

Jeanne Lutz, on behalf of the entire IFC, expressed her gratitude to Sam Cluff for his service over the past school year. Our gift to him was a new leather briefcase.

Annual Membership Fees of \$50 are due. Many of the groups paid today.

Elections for Next Year's Officers:

President	Brandon Pelton (decided at an earlier meeting)
Vice President/President Elect	Jill Grammar
Secretary	Sarah Heartsong
Treasurer	Jim Lehman

Jeanne was encouraged to continue as Executive Councilor.

Personal Updates:

Jan Archey will be shifting her ministry focus and will not be the campus pastor of Wesley. She will also not be involved in the Interfaith Council after this school year. She has been with the IFC for 16 years.

Nancy Anderson will be retiring at the end of July. The May IFC meeting will be her last as well. She expressed her gratitude for being able to be a part of the IFC.

David Richman will be retiring from the University and will no longer be involved with the IFC either.

Jill brought up doing the granola bars again for the students during finals week. We approved spending \$100 again to buy the bars and put stickers on them.

David Richman will close the meeting with prayer in May.

Closing Prayer: Nancy Anderson