

Cultural and Intellectual Community Council Minutes

October 16, 2019

Present: Tabitha Dell'Angelo, Dionne Hallback, Suan Ryan, Judit Kardos, Dara Whalen, Sabrina Mazzara,

Absent: Paula Rainey, Lisa Ortiz, Casey Shaulfer

- October 2, 2019 minutes were approved.

- 2020 Summer Reading Book Discussion

- Last meeting a decision was made to eliminate the books **Unknown American**, and **Behold the Dreamer** since the storylines is similarly to a past themes.
- Liberal Learning - purpose of the Summer Reading Book? Budget is \$20K
 - Inquire if DEI has funding for diversity initiative
- Send a survey for workshop suggestions for teach-in day Fall 2020
- Final discussion about 3 finalists:
 - Online vote ranking the books due by Friday, Oct. 18, 2019.
 - All books are personal narratives
 - Option 1: Book - There There (Tommy Orange)
 - \$15K plus first class flight from CA
 - Option 2: Book - Dear America (Jose Antonio Vargas)
 - \$20K plus hotel and local ground (includes flight)
 - Option 3: Book - Sweat (play) (Lynn Nottage)
 - Fee increased \$25 plus expenses; our budget doesn't allot for this amount but it doesn't mean it will not be approved.
 - Maurice Hall and Jennifer Little (Lyric Theater) are interested in having the play brought to campus: Tabitha will ask if this is feasible? If the play can't be brought to campus, is the book feasible?
 - Table read is something to consider

- Provide more direction regarding prompts and that the book is a play and use of language.

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 1:30 pm in Social Science 325