

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MILLS COLLEGE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING  
December 10, 2014  
6:30 – 9:00 PM  
REINHARDT ALUMNAE HOUSE

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

President Lucy Do called the meeting to order. There were 9 members in attendance in person and 4 in attendance via telephone.

Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

President: Lucy Do.

Vice-Presidents: Viji Nakka-Cammauf and Jennifer King.

Treasurer: Susan Thomas

Board Members: Marge Nicholson, Toni McElroy, Lynette Castille-Hall, and Gloria Fangon-Hitz. In attendance via telephone Catherine Ladnier, Darice Balabanis and Marina Simenstad.

Alumna Trustee: Melissa Stevenson-Diaz in person and trustee Judith James via telephone.

Board members absent were: Governors Dawna Williams, Betty Lin, Pierre Loving, Lillian Sahagun, student governor Skylar Crownover and trustee Molly Fannon Williams.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Board of Governors met with college President Alecia DeCoudreaux for an update on the state of the college. First President DeCoudreaux invited all of the Governors to attend the annual Midnight Breakfast kick off for finals in the Tea Shop. DeCoudreaux felt it to be truly an event for the students and most enjoyable. DeCoudreaux went on to update the Governors on the searches for Vice-president of Student Life and Dean of Students. There are three candidates and the final choice will be known by the beginning of 2015. In addition the search for a multi-faith chaplain and Director of Spiritual Life continues and should be concluded very soon. DeCoudreaux then introduced Dr. Sharon Washington who has been at Mills since August as the Diversity Consultant.

- II.** The rest of the time allotted for the Board of Governors meeting was dedicated to a discussion with Dr. Sharon Washington. Her area of expertise is diversity and inclusion. She has been on campus for several months now and is charged with getting to know and understand the culture of Mills, focus on capacity building for the institution and understand development, create a plan and provide resources as needed. Dr. Washington had previously made a presentation to the Board of Trustees and it was from that interaction that she was asked to come and meet with the Board of Governors. Due to the lack of time, no other business was conducted.

Meeting adjourned by President Lucy Do at 9:03 PM

Submitted by Lesli MacNeil

December 12, 2014

Addendum to minutes: Due to the length of the December 10, 2014 meeting there was no time to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2014 Board of Governors meeting. An e-mail vote was taken, 16 governors approved the minutes, one voted no, and two abstained. The minutes were approved.

December 18, 2014  
Lesli MacNeil