

Minutes
Public Service and Trust Commission
Advisory Committee on Cultural Competency

The Advisory Committee on Cultural Competency met at 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield, Room 204 on May 16, 2014.

Those in attendance were:

The Hon. Richard Robinson, Chair; Isabel Alvarez, Troy Brown, Karen Chorney, Linda Cimino, Precious Hyland, Stephen Ment, Ines Nieves, Ewa Wojewodzki, Shawna Woodard, Alison Zawadski.

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Justice Robinson.

1. The minutes from the March 21, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.
2. Foundations in Cultural Responsiveness 100:

The status of CSSD's *Foundations in Cultural Responsiveness (FCR) 100* was updated. Twelve sessions of FCR100 are scheduled from April to December (dates available from CSSD). A total of 18 trainings are now available. The next Train the Trainer class will be in June, and of the 9 slots, there are still a few openings. FCR100 is being rolled out to CSSD supervisors with the intention to have Court Operations trainers expand offerings within that division.
3. The Diversity Week Subcommittee reported out considerable progress in the planning of Diversity Day and Week:

Dr. Dan Kahan, the Elizabeth K. Dollard Professor of Law & Professor of Psychology at Yale Law School and a member of the Cultural Cognition Project, is confirmed as keynote speaker. (Website: <http://www.culturalcognition.net/kahan/>) CTN has confirmed that they will tape the opening and keynote speech. Registration will be through LMS, with further research into methodology for signing up for breakout sessions. Topics for the breakout sessions were presented and the status of confirmed and to be confirmed presenters updated. A save the date notification will go out in June.
4. What's Happening:

CSSD brought copies of the Women's History calendar they had developed and offered copies to the committee members. Its June Brown Bag Program, at the ITBD, on LGBT Pride Month, for the first Thursday in June. Spanish Heritage Month will once again be celebrated on September 18, and they anticipate a full day program. CSSD also commented the DOC have been attending some of the cultural competency programs, a cross agency collaboration which the committee supported. The new logo and calendar are progressing and the intention is to present them in June.
5. New Business:

The Committee discussed ways of keeping the members current and up to date. The discussion included having programs presented to the committee itself, as well as developing at least two offsite training sessions.
6. The next meeting of the full committee will be June 20, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., Room 204, 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield.
7. The next meeting of the Diversity Week Subcommittee is tentatively scheduled for June 3, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 133, 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield. The next meeting of the Advisory Committee on Cultural Competency, is July 18, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 204, 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield.