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Macías Elected Chair-Elect

Cantú resigns, Macías now Chair

Dr. Reynaldo F. Macías is a faculty member in and Chair of the UCLA Cesar E. Chavez Center for Interdisciplinary Instruction in Chicana and Chicano Studies. He has joint faculty appointments in the departments of Education and Applied Linguistics. His previous academic appointment was in the UC Santa Barbara Dept. of Education, and was also the Director of the Linguistic Minority Research Institute (1992-1997). He is the author, co-author, and editor of several books, articles and chapters on such topics as bilingual education, Chicanos and schooling, adult literacy, population projections, language policies, and media research. His current research activities are in language policy/politics/demography, adult literacy and teacher studies.

Macías is co-founder of *Aztlán*--International Journal of Chicano Studies Research, and of the National Association of Chicano Social Science (now known as the National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies). He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the California Association for Bilingual Education (1983-1985), the National Association for Bilingual Education (he served as Treasurer for the (1986-1987 term), editor of the National Association for Bilingual Education Journal (1985-1989), and served on the Board of Directors for MALDEF (1988-1992). He also served as the Conference Coordinator for the 2003 annual meeting of the NACCS, in Los Angeles, CA.

Since his election, Macías has stepped into the position of Chair. Norma Cantú, who was elected last year to serve as Chair for 2004-2005 resigned during the summer stating health related reasons. Due to Cantú's resignation, Macías will sit as Chair through 2006. An election for the 2005-2006 Chair-elect is in the process.

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NACCS CONFERENCE INFORMATION

When: April 13-17, 2005
Where: Miami, Florida
Place: The Hyatt Regency
400 South East Second Ave.
Miami, Florida 33131-2197
(305) 358-1234, (800)233-1234
or Hyatt.com
Room Rates:
Single/Double: $110.00, Triple: $130.00
Quad: $150.00

Deadline for reservations: March 5, 2005
A limited number of rooms have been reserved for the conference with the room discount. Please make your reservations early.

NACCS 2005

CALL FOR PAPERS
Submissions now accepted online at www.naccs.org

Deadline:
October 15, 2004
See page 11 for details

FREDERICK A. CERVANTES STUDENT PREMIO, 2005
Submissions must be postmarked by October 16 2004
Send FOUR copies of your paper to:

NACCS Cervantes Premio
P.O. Box 720052
San José, CA 95172

Words from the Chair

BY REYNALDO MACIAS

Colegas,

It is my pleasure to write a few words in this column for the chair despite the circumstances that led me to do so. Professor Norma Cantú succeeded as NACCS Cordinating Committee Chair at the April Conference of the Association this year in Albuquerque, and I was elected as the Chair-Elect. Unfortunately, due to health problems, Professor Cantú has stepped down from the position of chair as of September. One of the responsibilities of the Chair-Elect is to succeed the Chair in her absence. I think Norma's resignation is a genuine loss to the organization, and I certainly don't feel I could substitute for her leadership and contributions. I will try my best to cover the period left in her tenure, even while I fulfill those of the Chair-Elect. The year in office has certainly begun as a busy one given all the work that is pending, and the effort required to maintain the organization, much less grow it.

The center of much of the activity is the organization of the annual conference. As an organization we are still trying to forward-plan with enough time to do the best planning for the conference, including site selection. After a bumpy start (the initial site was to be in the midwest, but when this region dropped out, the East Coast Foco, which was due to host the national conference in 2006, stepped up to do so for 2005), the conference site selected for 2005 is Miami.

Miami is an exciting city, with many opportunities for the organization to pay attention to an area and state that is receiving more Mexicans directly from Mexico and settling out of the Atlantic seaboard migrant stream, as well as home to many Caribeños (Cubanos, Haitians, Dominicanos), and many central and south American Latinos. Some would envision a greater place for non-Mexican Latinos within Chicana/o Studies, others would envision changing the definitions of "Chicana/os" to be more inclusive of other raza groups, still others envision collaborations between the academic fields that arise out of each group-region's bases (e.g., Boricua Studies, Cuban American Studies). Others call for Latino Studies to encompass all of these scholarly efforts. The diversity of the Latino populations offers the opportunity to explore relationships between raza groups and/or to re-envision Chicana/o Studies. Miami will be the place to engage these visions in 2005.

Having un montón de Chicana y Chicano Studies scholars swoop into the city for four days should add to the excitement and diversity of the city. The organization of this conference also enables our continued refinement towards needed structural changes in NACCS. The membership of the East Coast Foco is small while its regional reach is vast (the northeast, Atlantic seaboard, and the south of the country). So, we are naming a site committee of people familiar with the area to carry out some of the responsibilities usually undertaken by the host Foco and local members. I invite and encourage you to send us local contacts, ideas of special interest, and to take a role in promoting the conference. Some members of the organization are disappointed with the site selection mainly because of the national image of the state and city as conservative, if not reactionary. We hope that the opportunities to engage in dialogues about this issue and the contacts we hope to explore with academics and programs of interest in the area will help address this concern.

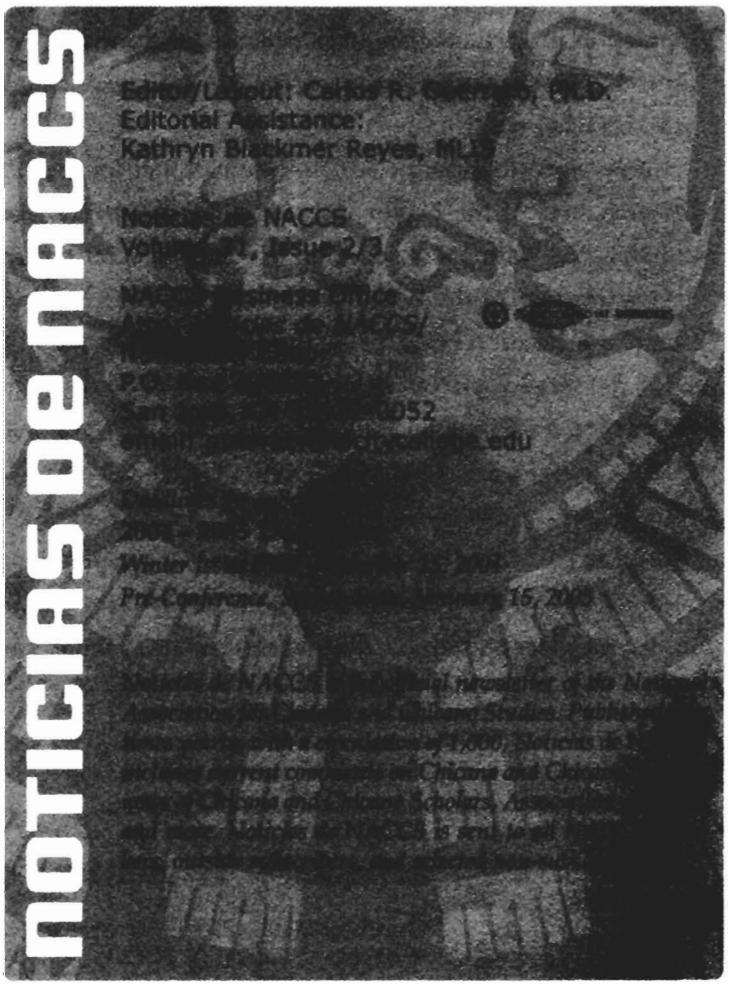
The theme and the call for papers has been announced. Submission deadline is October 15, 2004. We are attempting to provide for an all-electronic submission process this year. Over 75% of the proposal submissions for 2004 were submitted through the internet, and we are hoping that this will increase for 2005. If for one reason or another you cannot submit electronically, please let us know so that we can help in submitting your proposal.

¡Preparense raza y colegas, a Miami nos vamos en abril!

NACCS Marks the Passing of Two Chicana/o Scholars

Gloria Anzaldúa, 1942 - 2004

Mauricio Mazón, 1945 - 2004



The 2004 Awards Night Ends in Controversy

ALBUQUERQUE, NM–The National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies presented several awards at the Association's annual meeting in Albuquerque in April of 2004. The 2004 NACCS awards honored outstanding students, community organizations and faculty at a ceremony on Friday evening of the NACCS annual meetings. Each year the organization selects recipients for these honors and publically presents them with the awards at the annual conference.

The 2004 Community Award is presented to individuals and organizations that make a difference in the lives of our communities and the material well being of raza. The 2004 award went to two local Albuquerque organizations: ENLACE Comunitario and Southwest Organizing Project. ENLACE is dedicated to serving the needs and promoting the rights of Spanish-speaking immigrants with particular emphasis on serving victims of domestic violence . The Southwest Organizing Project, established in 1980, makes it possible for thousands of New Mexicans to have a place and voice in social, economic and environmental decisions that affect our lives. Their mission is "working to empower our communities to realize racial and gender equality and social and economic justice."

The Frederick A. Cervantes Student Award is presented to an undergraduate and graduate student for excellence in research. The 2004 awards were presented to an undergraduate student at Oregon State University, Ricardo Larios, and a graduate student at the University of Texas, Austin, Ann Marie Leimer.

The NACCS Scholar Award is presented to scholars who have made significant contributions over time to the field. In 2004, the award went to Professor Francisco Lomeli (Chicana/o Studies and Spanish, University of California, Santa Barbara), for his career-long contributions to the field in arts and letters.

During the awards ceremony on Friday night of the conference, however, seven undergraduate students claiming to represent El Congreso, a student organization at UC Santa Barbara, protested the selection of Professor Lomeli as the NACCS Scholar. In a quiet movement the students followed behind Professor Lomeli as he walked to the stage to receive his award and give a presentation, and then inserted themselves between him and the microphone so that he could not speak. They then proceeded to take control of the microphone and spoke for approximately fifteen to twenty minutes, presenting their disagreement with the Association and their rationale for why Professor Lomeli should not have been selected as a NACCS Scholar. After about fifteen minutes into their speeches, the microphones were turned off, but they were allowed to complete their statements by the organization's leadership and conference site committee, after which they left the stage.

The students did not indicate why they had not registered their protest with the Coordinating Committee or why they had not made any attempt to communicate their displeasure prior to the ceremony, which was attended by Professor Lomeli's family and friends, especially since the award was announced in February of 2004 in the organization's newsletter. About 100 of the 350 attendees left the ballroom where the event was taking place after the student take-over, some in sympathy with the protesters, and others disap-

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Tenure-Track Position at Pomona College

Pomona College invites applications for a joint tenure-track position in Chicano/a Latina/o Studies and History, to begin in the academic year 2005-06. The successful candidate will serve as a member of both the intercollegiate Department of Chicano/a/Studies and the Department of History. The Intercollegiate Department of Chicano/a Studies is part of the Claremont Colleges, which consists of six full-time, and two part-time positions and draws on faculty in allied disciplines. The Pomona College History Department offers a curriculum that emphasizes cultural diversity and cross-cultural and global connections.

Candidates for this position should contribute primarily to the Chicano/a Latino History field, although it is crucial that the candidate be alert to connections between U.S. history and the Latin American area. Teaching responsibilities will include courses in Chicano/a Latino/a history and the history of the Latino/a Diaspora in the U.S. Desirable teaching areas could include the legacy of social protest, the role of immigration, gender, sexuality, transnational communities, the U.S. West, or Southwest.

Ph.D. expected by August 2005. Complete applications received by December 1 will receive full consideration. Preliminary interviews will be conducted at the AHA (January 7-9 2005). Applications should include a letter that describes academic and intellectual background, interests, and experience, curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, a writing sample and a graduate transcript.

Pomona College is an Equal Opportunity Employer and strongly encourages applications from women and members of underrepresented groups.

Applications should be sent to Prof. Sidney J. Lemelle Department of History, Pomona College, Claremont, CA 91711. For more information about the departments and their programs, please contact Prof. Buriel (Chicano/a Studies) at rburiel@pomona.edu or Prof. Lemelle (History) at slemelle@pomona.edu .

Executive Director Report

BY JULIA E. CURRY-RODRÍGUEZ

With the successful completion of the 2004 annual conference we made important milestones in NACCS. This was the second conference organized under the new procedures adopted along with other structural changes in 2001. I want to recap some of these changes for the sake of being on the same page.

Under the leadership of Rhonda Rios-Kravitz the CC introduced a series of resolutions that have changed the way NACCS works in terms of leadership, conference program procedures, and planning for future meetings. All members of the CC at the time participated and were instructed to discuss and seek feedback from their constituencies. The resolutions were discussed earnestly by the CC and finally introduced to the membership during the business meetings for their approval. All procedures were successfully approved by the membership in Tucson.

What were the changes of 2001? The institutionalization of a Student Fellowship, the election of a Chair-Elect to serve for 3 years on the CC, the formalization of a Membership Director, the establishment of an Executive Director Position, and the designation of a rotational plan for future meetings.

NACCS Student Fellows: Introduced for the first time at the 2000 meetings in Portland, the idea of a student housing assistance fund was refined during the 2001-midyear meetings in Chicago to the current name of program. Beginning with the 2000 annual meetings we have supported 101 student presenters. A fellow is consists of one-night lodging at the conference hotel for presenting students who live at least 100 miles away from the conference location.

After change in Leadership within the CC, for the first time in 2001, the membership was to become involved in the selection of the Chair of NACCS. From its inception, the officers of NACCS were selected by the CC representative leadership and announced to the membership in the post-conference newsletter. This practice did not provide membership participation.

As a transition to this new leadership format, Carlos R. Guerrero was named Chair-elect succeeding Rhonda Rios-Kravitz in 2002. The definition of the Chair-elect duties, a nominations committee, a ballot and an election were develop after the 2001 annual meetings. The first election took place in the spring of 2002. The Chair-elect provides leadership continuity. Specifically the person in this post serves as Chair of the Program Committee (for all presentation proposal submissions), determines the theme of the conference, and organizes the conference thematic plenary. This new format insures the participation of all CC members in the selection of the presentations held at each annual meeting in order to make the annual programming a truly representatively determined event.

Conference Planning: A major problem discussed by the CC was how to insure future conferences. For many years, NACCS has functioned in a crisis mode. More often than not being totally uncertain about the site of next conference. Many sites have been the result of CC members pleading for someone to take the initiative to host the annual conference. Analyzing the accounts we learned that the conference is not a moneymaking venture for NACCS and that overwhelmingly it is self-sustaining through registrations, exhibitors, and some in-kind donations from local groups. To address the problem of uncertainty a rotational calendar was discussed to begin the process of planning five years in advance. A calendar including places that had already been committed was developed. A proposal for the 2001 conference came in at the 1999 meetings. After close scrutiny we decided not to accept the Santa Fe proposal because of the exorbitant expense of lodging and limited meeting space. No 2001 site was defined. By the annual meetings, a 2001 preliminary proposal came in and was designated as a site to work with for the next annual meetings. The Midwest requested the 2002 conference so we had some buffer in the future, but nothing for the immediate need. Because of the crisis created by the lapsing years and no forthcoming proposals from any region, the CC designated a calendar, which included time for planning and a preliminary commitment from the representatives present at those discussions. These resulted in Colorado for 2003-whith a requirement that conference proposals had to be presented at the 2002 conference. Southern California was selected for 2004, the East Coast was tentatively decided for 2005 and a return to Mexico (possibly to Guadalajara) was designated for 2006. A great deal of discussion ensued because the CC was aware of the predicament of not having future plans and the proposal ideal-which seldom took place as the means to solicit future sites. To address some of this problem, the CC developed a post of Executive Director (volunteer) and asked me to serve in that post until 2006.

The more pressing problems addressed were seen as resulting from not having a permanent office. But it also appeared that there were no prospects for supporting an office at the time, given that we were even unsuccessful at getting people to send in proposals for future conferences. Therefore we formed a virtual office, which included the bookkeeper, the membership general communication person and myself to run the business of the association. From 2000 to 2002 we also agreed to have regular meetings including the chair, chair-elect, and ex-officio chair so that there were face-to-face meetings to go over records and practices. At the 2001 meetings we had empowered an executive committee, consisting of the Chair, Chair-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary and Executive Director to carry out the business of the association as far as finances, conference hotel negotiations, and planning for future meetings.

Future conferences: I submitted a report of past conference to the CC on Wednesday, March 31 during the annual meetings, with a proposal for future meetings until 2013. The report was discussed and accepted and I was empowered to seek future meeting sites. The report included an analysis of meetings since 1990 to the present. The Rocky

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First NACCS Lifetime Member Passes

by Carlos R. Guerrero

On March 16, 2004, Leonor Reyes Guerrero, the first Lifetime Member of NACCS passed away. Mrs. Guerrero was committed to Chicana and Chicano studies and to NACCS. She became a Lifetime Member the year NACCS introduced life member category, and she did it in typical manner – she negotiated a monthly installment with a goal t become a permanent member.

I am not completely sure why she became a Lifetime member of NACCS. I can say that she was involved all aspects of her children's educational and professional activities, especially those aspects that contributed to the education of Chicanas and Chicanos.

To write about my mother, even after several months is difficult. How do you tell her life in 500 words? My mother left a legacy. My mother and father created conditions for their children to succeed. Most importantly, my mother left a historical record of her life as a citizen of two nations.

My mother was born on November 20, 1944 in Cd. Juarez, Chihuahua, a true border child. Her birth was announced in the Cd. Juarex daily newspaper: "El hogar de los señores Teodora R. T. de Reyes y esposo Dario Reyes R. se ha visto alegrado con el advenimiento de una preciosa ninita, que vino al mundo el día 20 del presente mes, y la cual llevará el nombre Maria Leonor." Her birthday announcements appeared regularly in the Juarez newspaper. Eleven years late, in May of 1965, a picture in the local Juarez paper shows my mother and father on their first date at church kermes. In the United States, she continued make the local newspaper. In the late seventies, she appears in a Los Angeles daily newspaper protesting the Los Angeles Unified School District's plans to bus Chicano children from Hollywood the San Fernando Valley. In 1995, my mom became an instant celebrity; she was the front-page lead of the Los Angeles Times Valley section marking her graduation from CSU Northridge at the age of 51. She was even a guest on the Cristina show.

As newsprint marked the beginning of her life, her passing was also announced in print. On the day before her burial, the Spanish-language Los Angeles newspaper La Opinion ran the final story: "Amor, sabiduría, alegría, inspiración: Leonor lo dio y jamás pidió nada a cambio. Mexicana por nacimiento, madre y esposa por naturaleza, Guerrero dejó de existir a los 59 años cuando el pasado martes su corazón cesó de latir mientras dormía," wrote Miguel Gonzalez.

My family and I are not the only ones that will miss her. Countless others will miss her. She was not a known scholar. She was not a known activist, yet she demonstrated in her everyday life the ideals exemplified in the mission of NACCS. Perhaps that is why she became a Lifetime member. NACCS was a place for scholarship and community, for students and faculty, and for women and men who struggle with the question of how to create un mundo justo. She demonstrated to the world that si se puede, con corazon y ganas, todo de lorga.

A memorial fund has been created in NACC'S to honor her life – the Leonor Reyes Guerrero Award fund. Look for the award in 2005.

NACCS.org moves to xCatalyst

This year, the Coordinating Committee accepted a proposal to move NACCS.org from CLNet to xCatalyst, a commercial web service provider based out of Houston. This marks the first time that NACCS is paying for a service provider. NACCS has grown and its members are asking for more web-based capabilities that CLNet was not able to provide. In addition, little to no support services was provided at CLNet - given that it was a free service.

The first NACCS website was hosted at Eastern Washington University and then moved to CLNet were the NACCS.org domain was created in 1998. Just last year the website went through a change that finally integrated the NACCS logo, which debuted in 2000.

Our migration to xCatalyst will allow NACCS to continue its online growth. The move to xCatalyst began in May and the site is now complete. The summer was used for training, building, and "trail and error". "At this point the website is done and we have mostly caught up with the demand" says Kathryn Blackmer, who has been in charge of overseeing the NACCS website since 1998. "I love seeing the NACCS logo" which is the first thing you see when go to NACCS.org, "I really wanted to show it off." There is still more to do but this move allows us to build NACCS.org a whole lot easier. And we should no longer experience the server going down during those crucial deadlines. More importantly, Blackmer says, "I am no longer alone - I now have administrative support!"

There are a lot of new features online. One of them is developing the online archives of the *Noticias de NACCS*, the first project our current Chair, Reynaldo Macías is mobilizing. While only a few issues were available, in addition to the archives from the Chicano Studies Research Center Macías' staff have contacted UC Berkeley and UT Austin for back issues. The history of the association has also been developed. Available are the documents used for "NACCS for Beginners" and more. Membership, new or renewals can also be done, securely. Credit card payments can now be done online. For this coming conference online registration will be available.

"The only section that I have not been able to develop is the "Member Only", says Blackmer. "We now have the software technology to develop this section, so I am hoping that summer of next year I will be able to work on it." Eventually, the hope is that the membership database will sit online to allow members to update their own information. The capability is there and more.

U of Minnesota Appoints Louis Mendoza as Chicano Studies Chair

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (5/11/2004) -- Steven Rosenstone, dean of the University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts (CLA), has appointed Louis Mendoza as chair of the department of Chicano studies, effective June 14, 2004. Mendoza is currently associate professor of English and associate dean for college advancement at the University of Texas, San Antonio (UTSA), where he has been a member of the faculty since1996. He was associate dean of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts at UTSA in 2002-03 and became associate dean in 2003.

Mendoza received a doctorate in English, with a specialization in ethnic and third world/Chicano literature, at the University of Texas, Austin, in 1994. Since that time he has distinguished himself as a scholar and public intellectual who is also a dedicated and highly respected teacher. As a scholar, Mendoza focuses on the relationship between history and literature and on the narrative framing of the Chicano/a and immigrant experience and the experiences of other marginalized groups. He is currently working on a compilation of unpublished works written in prison by renowned Pinto poet and political activist Raul Salinas-works that, said Mendoza, are valuable as "a critical voice from within the depths of the prison system."

As a teacher, Mendoza has described himself as "a facilitator whose role is to bridge ideas and learning opportunities for students." He teaches his students to take ownership of their ideas and to "think critically and broadly abut the role of literature and culture in society." As a public intellectual, Mendoza is committed to community outreach and to advancing what he calls "the profoundly rewarding complementary [relationship] of scholarship, activism, and education that is possible when [people and institutions] commit to working together."

"I am very excited about the leadership that professor Mendoza will bring to the University of Minnesota and to the department of Chicano studies," said Rosenstone. "He is a gifted teacher and scholar who will help ensure the department's growth in its service to our students and to the community."

Louis Mendoza was NACCS Chair in 1998-1999.

Pacific Northwest Mini Conference

By Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson

The Pacific Northwest Foco is hosting a mini-Conference on Chicano and Chicana Studies to be held at Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA, on the weekend of October 9 and 10, 2004. The mini-conference is both intended to strengthen connections between scholars in our Foco and to prepare for the NACCS national meeting. A preliminary schedule of events is at the bottom of this message, as well as the mini-conference registration form.

The mini-conference is made possible by a generous grant from the Whitman College Office of the President. President Thomas Cronin welcomes and invites all Pacific Northwest Foco members to join us at the mini-conference. In coordination with the mini-conference, the Office of the Dean of Faculty, the Spanish Department, and Club Latino will host Chicana Professor and writer Norma Elia Cantú, the 2004 NACCS President. Dr. Cantú will be present at the mini-conference and will also give a reading of her creative work on Thursday, October 7th. The reading will be followed by a performance by Los Bailadores del Sol, a ballet folclórico group from Yakima, WA, featuring Whitman senior Luis Herrera. You are all invited to come early to participate in the reading and performance. Visit our website at www.naccs.org/naccs/Pacific_Northwest.asp for program details.

The mini-conference is free and open to the public, but we ask that you pre-register in order for us to get an accurate headcount of the number of participants. The mini-conference will feature several presentations by Foco scholars, as well as opportunities for networking and coalition building.

On behalf of the Pacific Northwest Foco, I ask that you contribute to the establishment of a Foco fund. Presently, our Foco does not have its own finances due to its small size. By contributing to the establishment of this fund, you will be helping us organize Foco activities in our area, at the NACCS meeting, and to establish a fellowship for Pacific Northwest Foco students to travel to the national meeting. Details of this fund will be discussed at our business meeting during the mini-conference and you are welcomed to join us. Checks should be made out to NACCS and indicate in the memo that it is a "donation to Pacific Northwest Foco Fund." Please send your checks and money orders to the registration address for the mini-conference; further details are in the registration form.

All mini-conference events will take place at the Pete Reid Campus Center, located on the corner of Boyer Avenue and Park Street in the Whitman Campus. A campus map can be found on-line at http://www.whitman.edu/visit/campusmap.html

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions about Foco activities or the mini-conference. I look forward to seeing you at our Foco mini-conference.

COMPAS Continues to Organize: NACCS Anti-War Political Stance

By Raoul Contreras, COMPAS Chair

At its 2002 national conference in Chicago NACCS became the first national Chicano or Latino organization, and the first academic organization of any type, to formally adopt a position of opposition to the Bush Administration's so-called "war on Terrorism." The anti-war resolutions NACCS adopted in Chicago (April 2002) authorized the COMPAS caucus to coordinate the "operationalization" of NACCS' anti-war position.

In the ensuing two years COMPAS has worked at this mandate by coordinating the development of a NACCS perspective toward the "war on terrorism," and by organizing NACCS activities that convey and implement that developing perspective. Principally, the development of a NACCS perspective has been done by organizing a "COMPAS Special Sessions and Workshop" for both the 2003 (Los Angeles) and the 2004 (Albuquerque) national conferences. Both were well attended with high level participation by a wide spectrum of attendees (the base NACCS constituency) at each conference.

The "Special Sessions" (panels) in Los Angeles and Albuquerque presented talks and papers on specific and necessary aspects of a NACCS perspective on the war. The role of the "Workshops" was to then mobilize/organize NACCS members to convey and implement (after the conference) the perspective developing through the panels.

The first such post-conference COMPAS action was a NACCS sponsored "Celebrating The Chicano Moratorium" in the fall of 2002. This was a series of (relatively) simultaneously held public forums, and presentations at public events, in Southern California, Northern California, and the Midwest foco regions. These forums emphasized Chicano Studies/NACCS' historical relationship to the Chicano Moratorium to explain and publicize our opposition to the "war on terrorism."

"February Actions" followed the Celebration of The Chicano Moratorium" in early 2003. This was a series of NACCS sponsored public forums, and presentations at public events, in February and March of 2003. At these events NACCS' opposition to the impending invasions of Iraq was expressed. These "February Actions" were held in the Southern California, Northern California, Pacific Northwest, Rocky Mountain, and Midwest foco regions.

Following the national conference in Los Angeles (April 2003), COMPAS was unable to sustain the national character of the previous year's "Celebrating The Chicano Moratorium." However, there were two NACCS sponsored public forums that fall, under the banner of Celebrating the Chicano Moratorium, held in the Midwest, as well as COMPAS identified speakers at other public events in the California foco regions.

In the winter preceding this spring's national conference in Albuquerque, COMPAS organized two NACCS sponsored screenings of the documentary "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised" (a film on the U.S. backed coup attempt against the administration of the democratically elected government, and populist leader Hugo Chavez, of Venezuela). These forums emphasized the implications of NACCS' anti-war political stance in relation to U.S. imperialism in Latin America and the developing worldwide social movement of opposition to "neoliberalism."

There were a number of developments at this year's national conference (Albuquerque) that will guide COMPAS over the coming year. First, the coordinating committee endorsed that COMPAS would continue its role of coordinating NACCS' implementation of its 2002 anti-war resolutions. The Coordinating Committee also endorsed the publication of a special (additional) set of national conference proceedings that collects the papers and talks presented in the COMPAS Special Sessions of 2003 (Los Angeles) and 2004 (Albuquerque).

The COMPAS "Workshop" in Albuquerque proposed a number of activities of 2004/2005. First, there was a general consensus for a COMPAS "Special Session" at the 2005 national conference. Second, there was general support for organizing a national "Celebrating The Chicano Moratorium" activity like that of Fall 2002. Third, there was support for organizing national "February Actions" like those in February/March of 2003. These actions would emphasize applying our anti-imperialist stance to other (than Iraq) "hotspots," in particular, in Latin America (Cuba, Venezuela, Haiti) and Palestine. Fourth, workshop participants emphasized the need to integrate an anti-war/anti-imperialist orientation into their on-going local activities and issues. Fifth, there was a proposal that COMPAS coordinate the writing of a series of short position papers (10-15 pages) on issues related to the U.S. war against Iraq – general issues like "neoliberalism" and specific ones like the current struggles in Venezuela and Palestine.

Participation in the COMPAS caucus is open to all NACCS members. If one is interested in becoming involved send a short note to the e-mail address below. The e-mail addresses collected at the "Workshop" and COMPAS caucus meeting in Albuquerque were not all valid (or written/read incorrectly). If one attended the workshop or caucus meeting and has not received a summary of that meeting, send a short note to me at: rcontrer@iun.edu.

Awards Controversy

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pointed at what they saw as disrespectful and disruptive behavior, not only to the Scholar honoree but the community organization leadership and the student awardees. Professor Lomeli made his acceptance speech after order was restored to the event.

The following day, at one of the workshops, the students stated that their protest was not really about Professor Lomeli, but against what they saw as a general movement away from the community by departments of Chicana/o Studies throughout the country, although they provided no evidence or other examples of this. A general repetition of their position was sent electronically to members of the Association's leadership, and others, after the conference.

Guadalupe San Miguel (U. Houston), Chair of the Association for 2003-04, and Master of Ceremonies for the event, indicated that NACCS did not condone this action and that the organization had always encouraged the participation of all of its members, focos, and caucuses in the running of the organization because it belonged to them. "While the students had some issues with Lomeli or with the organization's decisions it should have been raised in the student caucus or through other existing venues. The decision to honor Lomeli was a collective one based on the deliberations and consensus of the national Coordinating Committee comprised of all the chairs of the focos and caucuses in our organization. We disagree with these students and stand by our decision," said San Miguel.

Professor Norma Cantú, Conference Program Chair, and National Coordinating Committee Chair for 2004-05, at the closing business meeting on Saturday, apologized to all the awardees, and their families, for the disruption and disrespect they felt. While she also apologized to the students who may have felt that they didn't have a forum in which to speak out, she indicated that the unfortunate disruption did not reflect the sentiment of the association. She indicated as chair of the program committee that there was ample room within the program to express any discontent over the direction of Chicano Studies programs.

The controversy continued well beyond the conference in Albuquerque. Professor Tey Diana Rebolledo, the NACCS Scholar for 1997 and a member of the local site committee for the conference in Albuquerque, was so distressed at the disruption and the disrespect it represented, and the organization's leadership alleged weak effort at responding to the disruption, that she is considering resigning her membership in NACCS and returning her NACCS Scholar award. She indicated in her letter: "I am sadly affected by the protest of the students from Santa Barbara against the 2004 NACCS Scholar Award. While I do not always agree with Dr. Francisco Lomelí, I deeply respect his lifelong devotion to Chicano/a Studies and his scholarship on Chicana/o literature and issues. The NACCS scholar award recognizes scholarship not university politics. The students have dishonored not only the scholar, but the community organizations the site committee wanted to celebrate and acknowledge: Enlace Comunitario and the Southwest Organizing Project. These are community organizations that work against aggression and violence, that same aggression and violence displayed by the students at the ceremony. If NACCS is an organization whose members support the public humiliation of scholars, the dishonoring of the site committee, the community award recipients and student premio winner, I no longer wish to be a member. When NACCS allows itself to be the venue for personal vituperation and members justify that behavior the organization has an unhappy future. Therefore it is con tristeza that I withdraw from NACCS and return my NACCS scholar award."

Another previous NACCS Scholar honoree, Professor Rudy Acuña (Chicana/o Studies, California State University, Northridge), defended the protesters right to speak and disagree with the organization's selection of the scholar. "the students had every right to voice their opinion. The National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies is a public organization that for years has promoted social change. NACCS is a better organization because it has allowed feminists, gays and lesbians, and community activists a voice. Often those voices have been shrill, and there have been intense exchanges. But, NACCS is a better organization for this sense of democracy. Thus, objecting to the UCSB student protest is hypocritical. If we censured them, it would mimic the worse of Washington politics and deny free speech." Professor Acu_a continued, that "if NACCS censures the students, I will contact other 'distinguished scholars' (I received the award in 1989) and urge them to return their awards, I surely would."

The controversy over the disruption has continued on the UC Santa Barbara campus, with charges that the student's basis for their disagreement were inaccurate, and reflected a poor understanding of university processes and their inaccurate perceptions of Professor Lomeli's role in Chicana/o Studies departmental affairs leading to what some feel are slanderous charges. The protesting students and some faculty support the student action as a right of their free speech.

While no one has called for penalties against the students, there are those that argue that others also have a free speech right to disagree with the students, and that expressing those ideas does not shield one–the protesting students or their critics–from criticism or responses.

The NACCS Coordinating Committee has not called for censuring students, or anyone else over the protest. While standing behind their award selections, it is calling for civil dialogue and mutual respect amongst its members. There was concern that humiliating or verbally making personal attacks of someone, especially in the presence of their families, was not helpful to a dialogue. The disruption of the ceremony changed the tone of the awards and the ceremony for all of the award recipients, the audience and the organization. The community and student award recipients, their nominators and supporters likewise felt disrespected. It seems that the protest went far beyond it's intention to declare their disagreement with the organization in the selection of the 2004 NACCS Scholar, and did not allow for an engagement nor a dialogue over the issues that they raised the evening of the awards or the next day about the relationships of Chicana/o Studies with their local communities.

Executive Director Message

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Mountain Region held the most conferences 4 meetings, Rocky Mountain, Northern California, the Pacific Northwest, and Tejas had 2 meetings each; and Southern California and Mexico had 1 meeting each between 1990 and 2004. The calendar of future meetings (including previously designated regions) is: East Coast 2005, Guadalajara 2006, Northern California 2007, Tejas 2008, Southern California 2009, Midwest 2010, Pacific Northwest 2011, Rocky Mountain 2012, Colorado 2013. The rotation favors the regions where most of our membership comes from: That is California (southern and northern), Tejas, Rocky Mountain and the Midwest. We had hoped to go to New York or Boston in 2005, but the cost of rooms in NY would have ranged from $170.00 to $210.00, and Boston did not reply to our call for proposals. With the exception of Mexico meetings, the calendar calls for spring meetings avoiding Easter holidays, and other organizations attended by our membership (AERA, PSA, LASA, NAES, LatCrit, and MEChA Nationals). The Mexico meeting is being investigated as a summer meeting to allow for a longer stay by the membership.

For the most part the new structure has worked. We have greater financial visibility and accountability than we have ever had in the history of the association. We have finally begun to have a financial track record that allows us to negotiate accessible rates for meetings that serve our membership finances. We also have begun to develop a good archival continuity of our institutional practices (see Web story). Most importantly, we have made great strides to serve our membership by making the association more accessible through viable communication. Moreover, we provide the leadership with continuous information to provide their constituents.

I hope that the 2004-05 year puts us in a more solid base with the implementation of future projects so that we can continue to serve our mission and our membership. Future projects include the development awards for thesis and dissertations, service, and publications. We also hope to systematize the publications component of NACCS with proceedings, reports, and other publications useful in our teaching, professional development, library and departmental assessment and growth. We hope to announce future meeting-specific locations and dates-for better planning for membership, exhibitors, and other interested parties. Please give us input directly or through your FOCO Representatives and Caucus Chairs about interests and concerns.

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Associate/Full Professor

The Chicana/o Studies Program in the College of Letters & Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison seeks to fill an appointment at the level of associate or full professor to be tenured 100% in the Chican@ Studies Program. Applicants should have credentials commensurate with such rank at major research institutions as well as a distinguished record of scholarship, teaching, and service. Rank will depend upon qualifications and will be consistent with College and University policy. Area of specialization is open, and applicants in the social sciences and the humanities as well as interdisciplinary scholars are encouraged to apply.

The candidate's scholarship and teaching must engage the broader field of Chican@ and/or Latin@ studies. We are especially interested in candidate whose work applies cultural studies, diasporic, and transnational methods to the study of cultural geographies, social movements, and/or gender relations, but all candidates whose scholarship and teaching addresses key aspects of the relationships among culture, society, geography, ethnicity, race, gender, and sexuality will be considered. Candidates with administrative experience or evidence of administrative potential are encouraged to apply. Applications consisting of a cover letter, C.V., copies of representative publications, and full contact information (including email addresses) of at least three referees should be sent to

Prof. Camille Guerin-Gonzales, Chicana/o Studies Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 312 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Drive, Madison, WI 53706.

Applications received by **November 22, 2004** are assured of full consideration, but the search will remain open until the position is filled for start date of August 22, 2005. Due to the Open Records Law, we must disclose, upon request, names of all candidates who have not requested confidentiality in writing; finalists cannot be guaranteed confidentiality.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison is an EO/AA employer with a strong commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty.

FACULTY POSITION IN URBAN AND CHICANA/O POLITICS

Pitzer College invites applications for a fulltime, tenure track joint position in the Political Studies Field Group and the Intercollegiate Department of Chicano Studies with an emphasis on Urban and Latino Politics, beginning Fall 2005. In addition to training in these fields, competitive candidates should have research and teaching interests that focus on one or more of the following areas: Southern California, the Southwestern United States, and the United States-Mexican border. Desirable areas of specialization also include some combination of the politics and policy of education, medical and mental health care, immigration, labor, the environment, civil liberties or urban planning. The appointee will be expected to teach courses in Urban and American Politics, Chicana/o and Minority Politics, to regularly participate in a team-taught introductory course in Political Studies, and to periodically offer a senior seminar in urban and/or minority politics. It is expected that most courses offered will be cross-listed in Chicano Studies and Political Studies and some may be cross-listed in related fields such as Organizational Studies and an emerging program in Urban Studies. Associations with Pitzer's Program of External Studies in Ontario, California and the Center for California Cultural and Social Issues (CCCSI) are encouraged.

Candidates should have a commitment to undergraduate teaching at a liberal arts college and are expected to engage in research and publication. Preference will be given to those candidates who have completed the Ph.D. and who have teaching experience. Pitzer College, a member of the Claremont Colleges, has a strong institutional commitment to the principles of diversity in all areas and strongly encourages candidates from underrepresented social groups. We favor candidates who can contribute to the college's distinctive educational objectives, which promote interdisciplinary perspectives, intercultural understanding, and concern with social responsibility and the ethical implications of knowledge and action. Pitzer College is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. For the successful applicant with relevant interests, affiliations are possible with the intercollegiate departments of Asian American Studies, Black Studies, Chicano/Latino Studies, and/or Women's Studies.

To apply send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, writing samples, and other relevant materials to Alan Jones, Dean of Faculty, Pitzer College, 1050 N. Mills Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711. Review of applications will begin August 15, 2004. **The deadline for applying is October 15, 2004.**

NACCS 2005



Visión: Articulating, Imagining, and Contextualizing Chicana/o Spaces

In the midst of change, Chicana/o visions shift, re-articulate, and imagine themselves at different moments to meet the demands of the contextual spaces that seek attention, spaces that need difference, or spaces that need articulation. La Visión is in the mind, in the mind's eye, in the hand, and in the body. Chicana/o Studies scholarship reflects these in the questions that are asked, the research methods that are used, and dialogues that are created across the various communities engendered by these scholarships.

Papers are solicited on all of these issues of articulating, imagining, and contextualizing Chicana/o Studies. In addition, papers will also be considered outside of this theme and these issues. Submissions available at www.naccs.org.

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Call for Papers

If you would like to present a paper or participate in a panel at the annual conference, you must submit a proposal on the NACCS conference web site. All proposals must be submitted electronically and must have all required information completed in order to be reviewed.

The deadline for the electronic submission of these proposals is **October 15, 2004** (11:59 p.m. Central Time). Any proposals submitted after this deadline will not be reviewed.

Notification regarding the results of the proposal reviews will be emailed on *January 17, 2005.*

All presenters must be members of NACCS by January 31, 2005, to be scheduled for the conference program (membership terms are from January to December of the calendar year). Each presenter or panel participant must also register for the conference.

Review of proposals

Each proposal for a research presentation (single paper, or panels) must include an abstract with a clear focus of study indicating a written product (or any other formal academic research format) not merely anecdotal observations. Your abstract must be no longer than 300 words. The program committee will assess submissions in terms of the following criteria:

(1) Scholarly merit as stipulated in the NACCS preamble, including the generation of new knowledge, problem-solving in the community, understanding our position within society, study/analyses of our communities, or theory construction.

(2)Quality of the work to be presented.

(3) Completed status of the work to be presented. Proposals on works in progress should be submitted after completion of the research.

Format of presentations

Presentations may be proposed in several formats: single papers, collabortive/team research, thematic panels, workshops and roundtables. Please make sure you select the appropriate category for your proposal. At the end of each form there is a Comment box. Use the Comment box if any information that does not fit within the limits of the online submission. For example if there is a co-authored presentation or if additional information is needed.

Required information for submissions: Paper/Panel title, abstract(s), name(s) and email(s) of presenters, and AV requirement. NACCS cannot provide computers, LCD projectors, or internet service.

Type and topic of presentations

In order to assist the evaluation of the proposals, we are asking for more information on the forms. The type of presentation is intended to identify the approach and focus of the research proposed to be presented. The list on the topic of the presentation is intended to move away from disciplinary designations and towards a problem or topical description of the field. With the increase in inter-disciplinary work, a topical or taxonomic description is more suited. The organization being used here is not intended as a final word on the field, but an attempt at a topical description. It includes 9 major topics and 42 sub-topics. If your proposed presentation does not seem to fit into any of these, please use "other" and write in the topic category in the box.

GO TO WWW.NACCS.ORG TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

FREDERICK A. CERVANTES STUDENT PREMIO, 2005

The National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies announces its annual Frederick A. Cervantes Student Premio. NACCS seeks submissions from Undergraduate and Graduate scholars. Submissions must contribute to Chicana and Chicano Studies, an interdisciplinary area of study. Papers will be judged on: their contribution to the field of Chicana and Chicano Studies; strength of scholarship (e.g., how well researched and/or theoretically well-developed they are); and originality. Composition and style will also be considered. The Premio carries a monetary honorarium of $350.00, the opportunity to submit the paper for publication review in the NACCS proceedings, and the opportunity to present the paper at the annual meetings.

COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

Participants must be enrolled at an institution of higher education and be members of NACCS. To join the association, send in a completed membership form.

FOUR copies of the manuscript must be submitted. One copy should include a cover page with your name, address, telephone number, and institutional affiliation. All copies must indicate UNDERGRADUATE or GRADUATE submission. The remaining copies must only have a cover page with the title and student designation. Authors must follow appropriate writing manual guidelines, e.g. APA, MLA or Chicago Manual of Style. Papers must be fully referenced, typed, double-spaced and use a 12 pt. Times New Roman font. Manuscript must not exceed 25 pages.

Any submission received that does not meet the above specifications will be automatically disqualified.

Notification will be issued prior to the conference. Awards will be announced during the NACCS 2005 conference. We encourage students to seek faculty mentorship in preparing their papers. Please contact Dr. Julia Curry-Rodriguez, NACCS Executive Director, if you have any questions about the guidelines or how to seek mentorship in preparing your submissions.

Submissions must be postmarked by **October 16, 2004** Papers postmarked after this date will be returned.

Send FOUR copies of your paper to:
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CONFERENCE DEDICATION

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New Coordinating Committee Members, 2004-2005

FOCO Representatives:

Pacific Northwest: Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson, Whitman College
Southern California: Denise Sandoval, Cal State University, Northridge
Northern California: César Lara, La Unión del Pueblo Entero (LUPE)
Colorado: Arturo "Bones" Rodriguez

Caucus Chairs:

Lesbian Caucus: Xochitl Marquez, Hastings College of Law
K-12 Caucus: Axayacatzin "Xihuan" Montalvo, CSU Los Angeles
Student Caucus: Pablo Ildefonso, CSU Long Beach

2004-2005 NACCS Officers:

Chair, 2004-2006: Reynaldo F. Macias, UC Los Angeles
Treasurer: Michael Hames-García, Binghamton University
Secretary: Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson, Whitman College
Ex-Officio Chair: Guadalupe San Miguel, Jr., University of Houston

FOCO & Caucus Reports

Midwest
By Sylvia Fuentes

There were lengthy discussions regarding the Dream Act and opposition to Marine occupation of Haiti. Dennis Valdez offered to work with Ann Winkler-Morey on the resolution and language for the Haiti discussion. There was also a request to write a letter to Mt Olive Pickles The purpose of the letter is to state that NACCS supports Floc's boycott of Mt Olive's pickles and to urge Meijer's store to support the boycott by removing the product from the shelves. Isaias Delgadillo motioned to accept the requests. David Khilji 2nd. There was a discussion. Passed.

Michigan will host Midwest FOCO Regional meeting.

People were asked to please submit articles, poems, book reviews for our NACCS newsletter. Ohio State University announced a huge conference to be held in October.

Raoul Contreras will continue to be COMPAS representative and Sylvia Fuentes will continue as Midwest FOCO representative.

Rocky Mountain
By Ed A. Muñoz

Activities since Mid-Year Coordinating Committee Meeting

1) No FOCO conference was held due to limited support.

2) Discussions have begun for the Rocky Mountain FOCO conference to be hosted at the University of Wyoming for the Fall of 2004.

Membership Status

1) As of March 29, 2004 we have 83 paid members, an increase of 27 members since the mid-year Coordinating Committee meeting in October.

2) Ideas for a sustained membership drive will be solicited at the annual meeting.

Annual Conference Meeting 1, Thursday, April 1, 2004

1) Eight members present from New Mexico, Arizona, and Wyoming.

2) Volunteers for caucus reps were considered.

3) Resolution for Wyoming to be officially listed with the Rocky Mountain FOCO passed unanimously (see RESOLUTIONS for text).

4) To help insure continuity in the hosting of annual FOCO conferences, the membership voted to have conferences held on the first Friday of October beginning with the Wyoming FOCO conference in the Fall of 2004.

5) Arizona State West has agreed to host the conference in the Fall of 2005.

Annual Conference Meeting 2, Saturday, April 3, 2004

Edited version of minutes submitted by Sofia Martinez, University of New Mexico

1) Meeting called to order by Ed Muñoz with 9 additional Mountain FOCO members present.

2) General information for first-time FOCO attendees was presented.

3) Caucus Representatives were elected: Lesbian Caucus - Rosie Castaneda, University of Wyoming; Joto Caucus – Eric Garcia, University of New Mexico; Chicana Caucus – Alejandra Elenes, Arizona State University; K-12 – Vacant; COMPAS – Sofia Martinez, University of New Mexico; Undergraduate Student Rep – Maricella Sanchez University of Wyoming; Graduate Student Rep - Norma Valenzuela, Arizona State University.

4) Report backs from caucuses:

Chicana Caucus – A new chair is being sought. Discussions revolved around possible uses of Caucus funds, safe space, and student support. Mujeres Activas in Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS) will be in Seattle August 6-8, 2004.

Lesbian Caucus – The Lesbian Caucus agreed to support the the Joto Caucus' planned 2005 institute, in Mexico. Guadalajara may not be safe as there seems to be much homophobia in this city, would opt for Mexico City.

COMPAS – COMPAS continues to focus on the war on Terrorism and US imperialism around the world. COMPAS will work on an insert page to be proposed to the CC for inclusion in the NACCS newsletter. The insert would address different aspects of the war, the costs, the human tragedy, the environment the politics, etc. COMPAS urges all NACCS to be active in their opposition to US imperialistic actions that affect our gente most closely.

5) Other discussions: More networking opportunity; National Conference success; Foco Conference set for October 8th at the University of Wyoming. A theme for the conferences was discussed and focused on assessing Chicanas/os curricula and programs. Other themes discussed were literature, history, teacher training. Manuel from Arizona will work on of bibliography of current authors; Bilingual Education Scholarship – Alejandra Elenes

Pacific Northwest
By Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson

This upcoming academic year (2004-2005), the Pacific Northwest FOCO plans to reconnect and be active regionally. We have begun planning a mini-conference that will take place at Whitman College, located in Walla Walla, WA. The mini-conference will take place on the weekend of Oct. 9-10 and will focus on several topics of interest to members of the FOCO including but not limited to: the creation of Chicano/a and Latino/a Studies programs in our universities and colleges, the importance of Chicano/a and Latino/a student organizations in our campuses, the exchange of scholarly work and ideas, and the changing demographics in our area. Everyone is invited to attend, but especially Pacific Northwest NACCS members. In coordination with the mini-conference, Norma E. Cantú will do a fiction reading on Thursday, Oct. 7 at Whitman College. The reading will be followed by a ballet folclórico performance by Los Bailadores del Sol, from the Yakima Valley, WA. For more information, contact Foco Rep, Prof. Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson at solorzn@whitman.edu

Cuacus Reports
COMPAS
By Raoul Contreras

In the period since the mid year coordinating committee meeting (October 2003) COMPAS caucus has been engaged in preparation for 2004 national conference. As authorized at the mid year meeting there will be a COMPAS Special Session and Workshop at the Albuquerque conference. The special session and Workshop will follow the basic format utilized in Los Angeles at the 2003 national conference.

Like last year (Los Angeles) the Special Session and Workshop at Albuquerque will traverse three panel sessions (six, seven, and eight) on Friday afternoon, April 3rd. The Special Session will be two consecutive panels (panel sessions seven and eight) that will serve different roles in terms of elaborating a NACCS perspective on the war.

The first panel is organized by Raoul Contreras (COMPAS chair) and has Elizabeth Martinez and Jorge Marsical joining him as presenters with Rene Nunez serving as a panel facilitator. Jose Moreno organized the second panel. Joining him as presenters are David Rodriquez, Theresa Montano, and Pablo Aceves. Moreno will also serve as a panel facilitator.

The design of the first panel is to develop the general outline of a Chicano/a Studies/NACCS perspective toward the war that COMPAS began through the Special Sessions at the 2003 national conference in Los Angeles. Martinez's presentation addresses the worldwide anti-war social movement that developed in opposition to the U.S. attack and occupation of Iraq and the place and role of Chicano Studies/NACCS in that movement. Mariscal will address the war's impact on the domestic social justice concerns of Chicanos, and specifically, the influence of militarism among Chicano/Latino youth. Contreras' talk links the anti-imperialist historical origin and political identity of Chicano Studies to NACCS' opposition to the war.

The design of the second panel is to address specific issues and concerns central to a NACCS perspective toward the war. Rodriquez addresses developments in theories of imperialism and their relevance to current U.S. foreign policy. Montano addresses the implications of the war for Chicano/a educators (and education). Aceves will talk about the implications of the Patriot Act and how the war fuels attacks

on civil and human rights in the Chicano community. Moreno will talk about the role of the U.S. mainstream (corporate) media/press in promoting war in the Middle East since 9/11.

Following the panels the workshop will work to bring together a "national" NACCS group that can practically engage in implementing NACCS' anti-war stance, year-long, between conferences.

At the October mid-year coordinating committee meeting COMPAS proposed organizing coordinated NACCS anti-war activities (public forums) in February. This coordinated national action could not be pulled off. However, various COMPAS members organized individual anti-war activities both in the Midwest and in California (a specific summary analysis of these events still needs to be done). As authorized at the mid-year meeting the events in the Midwest were identified as "NACCS sponsored" activities.

"Action Item": COMPAS proposes that the coordinating committee authorize he composition of an editorial committee to develop a special edition of NACCS Proceedings that would bring together all the major documents and papers that have emerged as a consequence of the anti-war resolutions passed in Chicago (2002). Raoul Contreras (COMPAS chair) would compose an editorial committee for this proposed special edition of the NACCS proceedings.

Graduate Caucus
By Lisa Lapeyrouse, Chair

Friday April 2, 2004, meeting #1

Caucus Chair, Lisa Lapeyrouse, was not present at meeting due to illness. However, arrangements were made to have continually active caucus member Ines Casillas facilitate the meeting.

Meeting Agenda Items:

1. Ice Breaker
2. Welcome and Establishment of Procedures/Rules for Appropriate Caucus Conduct
3. Schedule of Caucus Events (i.e., future caucus meetings, elections, and reception)
4. Old Business: Appointment of Caucus Chair; Survey; Budget
5. New Business: Email Limited to Paid members only; Limitations of Chair Terms; Nominations for election; Who can run for elections

Summary:

Due to disruptive events during Graduate Caucus meetings at the 2003 NACCS Conference in Los Angeles, the election for Caucus Chair was postponed. In the following months, when an online election was to be held, only a single nominee (Lisa Lapeyrouse) submitted the necessary materials by the deadline. Thus, in accordance with NACCS bylaws, Coordinating Committee Chair Guadalupe San Miguel appointed Lisa to the position of Graduate Caucus Chair. According to Article VIII Section 3, the National Coordinating Committee may appoint an interim Chair until a permanent Chair is elected by the caucus membership. Therefore, at the 2004 NACCS Conference in Albuquerque, a new Graduate Caucus Chair would be appointed by the membership.

Results of an online Caucus feedback survey were highlighted. In general, the caucus membership voiced the need for greater organization and professionalism in the conduct of Caucus events. Additionally, issues regarding the need to create safe spaces were raised as well as the need for more opportunities for Caucus members to network with others. In response to such feedback, general rules for Caucus Conduct were stated at the beginning of the meeting and a set meeting agenda was created. Additionally, a joint reception was planned for the Graduate, Student, and Community Caucuses.

According to the 2004 NACCS membership report, the total membership of NACCS included 126 graduate students. Graduate Students and Faculty comprised the largest membership categories, each accounting for 31% of the total membership (n=389). Graduate Caucus membership was low however, with only 30 paid members. This low membership has major budget implications for the Graduate Caucus, as it severely limits its ability to fund additional events at the Annual NACCS Conferences. Thus, members discussed ways in which they could boost paid membership and, more generally, raise money for the Caucus. This included: Greater push for Graduate caucus attendees to become paid members; Greater incentive for individuals to become paid Caucus member, such as limiting the Graduate caucus listserv to members only; Hosting a Silent Auction and/or Raffle; Seek donations.

Decisions reached by the membership included limiting access to the Graduate Caucus listserv to paid members only. Additionally, it would be stressed that only paid members would be voting members of the Caucus. Thus, for voting purposes, a new responsibility for the Graduate Caucus Chair would be to obtain a list of paid members and distinguish them from others.

Due to the ever-changing leadership of the Graduate Caucus, it was proposed that a longer chair term be implemented. Rather than continue with a 1-year appointment, the membership discussed the need to have a consistent leader in which the duties and needs of the Caucus could be better served. Thus, it was suggested and decided that the Graduate Caucus Chair serves a 2-year term, as do Chairs in other Caucuses.

Nominations for the Chair elections were taken at the meeting. Anyone wanting to run for Graduate Caucus Chair had to be meet the criteria established for the position as well as be present for the election the following morning. Three nominations were accepted.

When taking nominations for Graduate Caucus Chair, the question was raised "who could run for elections"? Or, more specifically, the question of whether or not community members, who are no longer graduate students, could run for Chair was put before the membership. A brief discussion took place but the topic was tabled for the next Caucus meeting.

Saturday April 3, 2004, meeting #2

Lisa was present for the final Caucus meeting and reassumed her responsibilities for facilitating the proceedings. Though a person was appointed to take notes and another was appointed to count votes and run the election.

Meeting Agenda Items:

Old Business: Who can run for Graduate Caucus Chair; Nominations; Elections

New Business: Expectation of Caucus Chair; Introduction to a Resolution

Summary:

Returning to the discussion of who could run for Graduate Caucus Chair, it was decided that community members could be part of the Caucus but could not hold a position as an officer. Further limitations on membership for non-graduate students, such a voting privileges, were tabled for online discussion.

A total of 5 members ran for the position of Graduate Caucus Chair, with a tie between Lisa Lapeyrouse and Samuel Montoya. In a run-off, Lisa was elected to continue as Caucus Chair, though she made the decision to count her previous term as part of her two-year commitment. Additionally, it was suggested that since there had been such great interest in the position of Caucus Chair, a Chair-Elect be appointed. Samuel accepted the proposal to act as a Chair-Elect, which was supported unanimously by the membership.

In regard to membership expectations for the Graduate Caucus Chair, a greater emphasis was placed on having networking events at the Annual NACCS Conferences. Roundtable discussions regarding applying to graduate school, the dissertation process, and funding were major priorities. Additionally, a commitment to help and prepare those in the position of Chair-Elect was defined as an additional duty of the Graduate Caucus Chair.

The final point of business for the Caucus was a discussion regarding resolutions. As it was pointed out, the more active and organized the caucus becomes, the more feasible it will be to draft resolutions that impact the Caucus and NACCS members as a whole. Reflecting the events of the previous year, the proposal to draft a resolution to terminate membership of disruptive NACCS members was introduced. However, decisions to pursue the drafting of the resolution would be tabled for online discussion.

NOTE: A resolution in an amendment to NACCS bylaws in which the membership of NACCS votes upon during business meetings.

Business Meeting One
March 31, 2004

Agenda discussion: Agenda approved
Meeting opened by Lupe, Chair of NACCS
CC meeting:
Chair: Lupe
The Chair obtained additional information to send letter to University of MN regarding support of their Chicano/a Studies.
Chair-Elect: Norma Cantú
Program is done. Some panelists were not notified about presentation.
Secretary Report: Sylvia Fuentes
Procedure sheet—memo ---what action item is, who is assigned the item, deadline. Who is responsible and deadline for action item completion.
Membership Report - Kathy
Mero Mero – This system would cost us $15.00 a month. The long-term cost is $14,000.00 newsletter cost a year. NACCS may want to move to online and will need dream weaver or micro soft front page. Will need someone with greater knowledge. i.e. revisions to by-laws must have someone who has html knowledge.
Proposal: A proposal was submitted and the initial cost is $13,000.00 and $4,100.00 each additional year. This includes support and certificates. The initial cost for membership setup is $10,000.00 and $1,600.00 each additional year. It was suggested that we discuss this under an action item. Question: If organization grows, will the fees increase? Not sure. The proposal includes costs for three years. Question: Will Kathy continue doing membership? Kathy will continue for a few more years. Content on Web page stays.
Executive Director – Julia
There is a cash bar for Saturday night's baile and for two caucus receptions. The cost for two security guards for both receptions is $18.00 – $25.00. Dance and banquet order includes set-up. Still need to get a hold of Enrique about bands. Two bands (start up) – salsa offered to play for 600.00. La Distancia offered to play for 12,000.00. AV bill $13,000.00. Out of this, band is absorbing about $5,000.00. Julia will talk to LaMadrid. 350 people registered this year. Pre registration has been excellent. Question: Did registration rates go up? Went up $10.00. People need to purchase dance tickets. Total food contract ional amount of $10,000.00. For every 50 rooms we get 1 room night. Thirty-one student fellowship names. Susana-exhibit account. Membership table worker and scholar. Get about 15 comp nights. List of fellows that have cancelled. Scholar is paid for. Comps put people that we are responsible for – membership, exhibitor, scholars, fellows (one night). Photographer – logistic issues. It was suggested that we do a one-page contract to photographer to take pictures of main events. Lupe will tell him to submit pictures on a daily basis. Norma will draft the contract.

Logistics – There will be a safe space and child-care. During the day, children will be cared for at UM by professional people. For our events, we have hired security for two receptions and dance. Other events will regular security. If there are any incidents, people should report to CC members first and then police department. Sandria is working on safe space. Question: Did we contact conference site committee to inform them that they had to present a report? Julia will remind site committee.

NACCS for Beginner - Michael will do it tonight and Ed will do it for Thursday.

FOCO AND CACUS REPORTS:
FOCOS
Tejas – Jaime. Not present. No action item, but 1 resolution---the murder of women in Juarez.
Southern California – Leonel. 1 action item, MEChA.
Rocky Mountain – Ed. 1 action item.
Pacific Northwest – Juan. Not Present.
Northern California – Paul. No action item.
Midwest – Sylvia. No action item
Mexico – Vacant.
East Coast – Michael. 2 resolutions
Colorado – Marcos. Not present.
CAUCUSES
Student Caucus – Augustine. Not present
Lesbian Caucus – Luz. No action item
K-12 – Caucus – Seferino. Not present.
Joto Caucus – Ernesto. No action item
Graduate Student Caucus – Lisa. No action item.
COMPAS – Raoul. 1 action item. Special addition proceedings.
Community Caucus – Jose M.. 1 action item --- letter of support to governor not to cut EOP.
Chicana Caucus – Maria. Not present

Old Business
2005 Conference – MI is not doing the conference. We do not have a site for this year. Tabled. Julia stated that Michigan cancelled. Teresa Melendez informed NACCS that they would not be hosting 2005 conference because of perceived lack of communication and because they are pursuing the development of a PhD program. The 2001 list indicated that the 2005 conference location would be the East Coast. Requested proposals from New York, Boston, Atlanta and Miami.

Next conference dates are: April 13-17, 2005. Alternate: March 16-20 or March 30-April 3.

2006 – Mexico – Guadalajara (logistic issues). Mexico City second choice.

Publications – Proceedings are at the printers. We will need about 400 copies. Norma suggested that proceedings be sent out to membership as soon as possible. It was suggested that we send out both proceedings at the same time. Norma made a motion to ship out proceedings immediately to the members. Michael seconded. No further discussion. Passed.

Awards – Tabled.
CC Annual Meeting Agenda:
2002 - 2004 Proceedings – Norma Chair of committee.
Cervantes Premio – Leonel
Selected two. Ann Marie Leimer and Ricardo Larios. Students will be attending conference. Awards will be presented at Award night.
NACCS Scholar – Michael. No further report.
12:00pm – adjourned meeting.
1:45pm resume meeting
Treasurer's report – Jaime.
CC schedule
Wednesday – 8:30 pm – 9:30 pm
Saturday – 10:30am-1:00pm
8:30pm – 9pm new officers/elections
New Business:
Action Items:
WEB Proposal
Newsletter Editorial Committee – Reminders to submit articles for newsletter
Special edition – Special NACCS publication of Anti-War sessions
Sexual Harassment Policy – No information
Resolutions –
Tejas – Request letters to be sent to Pres' to protest what is happening to the Women in Juarez.
Southern California –
Rocky Mountain -
East Coast – Two resolutions: Request that duties and responsibilities associated with the editing of the NACCS newsletter be severed from the job description of the NACCS Secretary, and that a new position of NACCS Newsletter Editor be created with the following description in the By-Laws. Resolution to eliminate the

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position of NACCS Secretary.

Community –

Conference 2005

Business Meeting Two Saturday, April 3, 2004

Norma E. Cantú, 2004-2005 Chair of the Coordinating Committee, preceding. Current and New Coordinating Committee Members in attendance. NACCS Membership in attendance.

Meeting begins at 5:20 pm

Announcement – Norma E. Cantú announced:

Indigenous Caucus has met and met the first stage of the by-laws rules to establish itself as an official NACCS Caucus. They have gathered the signatures of over 30 members and have future Caucus guidelines. The members of the Coordinating Committee have unanimously accepted the proposal to create an Indigenous Caucus. A resolution will be presented at the next national meeting to vote for the installation of the Caucus, as stated in the by-laws.

I. Welcome – Norma Cantú welcomed the membership to the last business meeting for the 2004 NACCS Conference

II. Introduction of Current Coordinating Committee Members

III. Introduction of New Coordinating Committee Members

IV. Introduction of New Chair-Elect – Cantú

Chair-Elect, Reynaldo F. Macias, University of California Los Angeles

V. Vote on Resolutions – Norma E. Cantú

a. Consent Agenda Items: Resolution from the Lesbian Caucus, Joto Caucus, Pacific Northwest FOCO, Chicana Caucus; Resolution from the Midwest FOCO; Resolution from the Tejas FOCO and Chicana Caucus.

i. A motion was made by Deena Gonzalez to pull the Lesbian Caucus et al. resolution to amend it. Luz Calvo seconds the motion. Membership votes on the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

ii. A motion was made by Luz Calvo to accept the remaining two Consent Agenda resolutions. Cesar Lara seconds the motion. Membership votes on resolutions. Both resolutions pass unanimously.

iii. A motion was made by Alicia Gaspar de Alba to amend the Lesbian Caucus et al. resolution. Deena Gonzalez seconds the motion. Discussion of amendments follows. Deena Gonzalez proposes a friendly amendment on behalf of the Lesbian Caucus to change the wording of the resolution to say:

Be it resolved that in all date collected about its membership (conference registration, membership forms, etc.) NACCS include a third category "transgendered or two-spirit" "transgender and/or gender queer" among the choices for gender

Luz Calvo accepts the friendly amendment.

Anita Tijerina Revilla proposes a friendly amendment on behalf of the Chicana Caucus to change the wording of the resolution to add a forth category:

Be it resolved that in all date collected about its membership (conference registration, membership forms, etc.) NACCS include a third category "transgendered or two-spirit" "transgender and/or gender queer" and a fourth category "self-identification (FOLLOWED BY A BLANK LINE)" among the choices for gender

Luz Calvo accepts the friendly amendment.

Guadalupe San Miguel makes a point of clarification that both amendments be reflected on the entire body of the resolution, so the changes to the resolution are:

WHEREAS transgender and two-spirit transgender and/or gender queer and as well self-identified people may not be adequately recognized under the designations "male" or "female,"

Be it resolved that in all date collected about its membership (conference registration, membership forms, etc.) NACCS include a third category "transgendered or two-spirit" "transgender and/or gender queer" and a fourth category "self-identification (FOLLOWED BY A BLANK LINE)" among the choices for gender,

Be it resolved that the membership reports include data on transgender and two-spirit identification "transgendered and/or gender queer" and "self-identification"

iv. A motion was made by Luz Calvo to vote on the Lesbian Caucus et al. resolution

Deena Gonzalez seconds the motion. Membership votes on the resolution. Resolution passes with a majority vote with no nays and 2 abstentions.

b. Resolutions with By-Laws and Funding Implications: Resolutions from the Rocky Mountain and East Coast FOCOs

i. A motion was made by Jose Moreno to vote on the Rocky Mountian FOCO resolution

Alexandra Elenes seconds the motion. Membership votes on the resolution. Resolution passes with a majority vote with no nays and 3 abstentions

ii. A motion was made by Ed Muñoz to vote on the East Coast FOCO resolution. Marcos Martinez seconds the motion.

Discussion follows. Question from the floor: what are the budget implications of the resolution? Response from Michael Hames-García, there are no budget implications just by-law implications. Alexandra Elenes, Former NACCS secretary, states that the budget for the newsletter will not change, just who is in charge of the layout of the newsletter. She gave an explanation of secretary duties and how the drafting of the newsletter is too much work to demand of the secretary. Reynaldo Macias posed a question from the floor: Will the duties of the NACCS editorial committee change due to this resolution? José Moreno answers, no, the NACCS editorial committee will retain control of the content of the newsletter. Norma E. Cantú adds, the NACCS Newsletter Editor will only foresee the production of the layout and printing of the newsletter not the content or editing of that content. End of discussion.

Membership votes on resolution. Resolution passes with a majority vote with no nays and 1 abstention.

VI. New Business – Cantú

Acknowledgment of Coordinating Committee members who are ending their term: Jaime H. García, ending his term as Treasurer; Sylvia Fuentes, ending her term as Secretary; Guadalupe San Miguel, ending his term as Chair and transitioning as Ex-Officio.

Thank you to the University of New Mexico Conference Site Committee: Recognition to the Site Committee Coordinators: Tey Diana Rebolledo, Enrique Lamadrid, Margaret Montoya – and all the members of the site committee. A special thanks to Veronica Mendez Cruz for her work with the site committee. Enrique Lamadrid spoke on behalf of the Site Committee Coordinator and accepted the awards.

A special recognition for Kathryn Blackmer Reyes, NACCS Membership Coordinator. After many years of service and commitment to NACCS, Kathy will be stepping down from the majority of her NACCS duties. Kathy will be stay on as membership coordinator, but the Coordinating Committee is presently looking for someone to take over Kathy's duties. Kathy received her award and reflected on her work with NACCS. She thanks the organization and the membership.

Cantú, on behalf of the Coordinating Committee, offers the following apologies: To the UCS students for not allowing them to continue their statement with the microphone at Awards Ceremony; To for the Site Committee for any discomfort and embarrassment the events at the Awards Ceremony might have caused; To the ENLACE members (recipients of the Community Award), the Cervantes Award Winners, and the 31 NACCS student travel award winners for having their awards ceremony interrupted.

The Site of the 2005 Conference is still being decided. The Coordinating Committee wishes to select an East Coast Site. In consideration are Boston, New York, Atlanta, Miami, North Carolina. Julia E. Curry Rodríguez is negotiating with potential hotels at the different possible sites.

A call to the membership was made to send papers to Ed

Muñoz for consideration in the selected proceedings publication.

Cantú, on behalf of the Coordinating Committee, offers the following apologizes to the family of Prof. Francisco Lomelí for the events at the Awards Ceremony.

Cantú reminds the membership that the 2004 Conference was dedicated to the memory of Sra. Leonor R. Guerrero (November 20, 1944 – March 16, 2004). Sra. Guerrero was the first lifetime member of NACCS, a long time NACCS supporter and member, and the mother of Carlos R. Guerrero, 2003-2004 Ex-Officio Chair.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. Minutes submitted by Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson, 2004-2005 NACCS Secretary (minutes edited by KBR for publication)

Conference Resolutions

1. Self Identification in membership (the text of the resolution reflects the inclusion of the two friendly amendments):

WHEREAS NACCS recognizes "all genders: in its sexual harassment policy,

WHEREAS NACCS currently requires all members to identify gender as "male" or "female" on membership forms and keeps data on gender breakdown of membership at the national, FOCO, and caucus levels,

WHEREAS transgender and/or gender queer and as well self-identified people may not be adequately recognized under the designations "male" or "female,"

BE IT RESOLVED that in all date collected about its membership (conference registration, membership forms, etc.) NACCS include a third category "transgender and/or gender queer" and a fourth category "self-identification (followed by a blank link)" among the choices for gender,

BE IT RESOLVED that the membership reports include data on "transgendered and/or gender queer" and "self-identification"

Submitted by: Lesbian, Joto and Chicana Caucuses and Pacific Northwest FOCO. Budget Implications: None. By-laws Implications: None. Contact Person, Luz Calvo

2. Boycott of Mt. Olive pickles

WHEREAS the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO (FLOC) is a union representing people who do some of the most important work in America, migrant farmworkers who pick the food we eat; and

WHEREAS through FLOC, Midwest farmworker families have not only gained better pay and housing; they have gained a greater measure of dignity and hope; and

WHEREAS on the eastern North Carolina farms that grow Mt. Olive pickles mostly immigrant workers face substandard wages, illegal labor practices, and unsafe work conditions few people would tolerate; and

WHEREAS Mt. Olive company makes millions each year from selling its pickles, they refuse to sit down and negotiate with every group involved and to give the workers who harvest its pickles a voice in contract negotiations; and

WHEREAS North Carolina farmworkers, the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, and farmworker supporters nationwide have said that they will boycott Mt. Olive products until the company respects the harvesters of its pickles enough to include them in a contract; now

Therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS) supports the Farm Labor Organizing Committee's (FLOC) boycott of Mt. Olive pickles through the writing of a letter by the 2004-2005 NACCS Chair to the CEO of Meijer Stores asking them to honor the boycott by removing all Mt. Olive products from its shelves.

Submitted by: Midwest FOCO. Budget Implications: None. By-laws Implications: None. Contact Person, Raoul Contreras

3. Border Deaths

WHEREAS we are Chicanas and Chicanos, human rights activists, and world citizens, and

WHEREAS there have been over 300 murdered women in Ciudad Juarez and innumerable others disappeared or murdered along the U.S./Mexico border, and

WHEREAS we denounce the continued disregard for life and human rights of women, and

WHEREAS we believe that the people of the United States and the rest of the world express compassion for the affected families and support the action necessary to seek out justice and bring an end to these senseless murders, therefore

LET IT BE RESOLVED that the NACCS chair and its coordinating committee write a letter to the presidents and attorney generals of the United States and Mexico and governors of border states expressing our belief that additional resources should be provided to end the killings.

Submitted by: Tejas FOCO and Chicana Caucus. Budget Implications: None. By-laws Implications: None. Contact Person: Larissa Mercado Lopez

4. Wyoming included in the Rocky Mountain FOCO

WHEREAS Wyoming currently is formally included as part of the Colorado FOCO, and

WHEREAS the current Rocky Mountain representative from the University of Wyoming was unanimously voted to serve a two-year term on the mistaken assumption that Wyoming was part of the Rocky Mountain FOCO, and

WHEREAS discussion in the interim by respective FOCO representatives and members proved supportive of the following action proposed,

BE IT RESOLVED that henceforth Wyoming become part of the Rocky Mountain FOCO

Submitted by: The Rocky Mountain FOCO. Budget Implications: None. By-laws Implications: Yes. Contact Person: Ed Muñoz

5. Create a Position of NACCS Newsletter Editor

WHEREAS the editing of the NACCS newsletter, "Noticias de NACCS," is an increasingly time-consuming job,

WHEREAS it is highly desirable to have continuity in the position of newsletter editor,

WHEREAS it is inefficient for advertisers in "Noticias de NACCS" to have to change Association contacts every year or every other year, and

WHEREAS there is no organizational need for the newsletter editor to also be a member of the NACCS Coordinating Committee,

BE IT RESOLVED that the duties and responsibilities associated with the editing of the NACCS newsletter be severed from the job description of NACCS Secretary, and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that a new position of NACCS Newsletter Editor be created with the following description in the By-Laws:

The NACCS Newsletter Editor shall be a member of the Association appointed by the NACCS Coordinating Committee in the manner it deems most efficient. The Newsletter Editor shall serve for a term of no less than three years, ensuring the timely publication of the Association's newsletter, the sale of advertising space to help defer publication costs, the inclusion of such necessary items as Caucus and FOCO reports, Business Meeting minutes, Resolutions, etc. In addition, the Newsletter Editor shall solicit articles relevant to the Association's interests for publication in the Association's newsletter.

Submitted by: East Coast FOCO. Budget Implications: None. By-laws Implications: Yes. Contact Person: Michael Hames-García

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CC Meeting Minutes

Coordinating Committee Meeting
Saturday, April 3, 2004

Present: Chair, 2004-2005: Norma E. Cantú, UT San Antonio; Treasurer and East Coast: Michael Hames-García, Binghamton University; Chair, 2005-2006: Reynaldo F. Macias, UC Los Angeles; Secretary and Pacific Northwest: Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson, Whitman College; Ex-Officio Chair: Guadalupe San Miguel, Jr., University of Houston; Midwest: Sylvia Fuentes, Northern Illinois University; Rocky Mountain: Ed Muñoz, University of Wyoming; Tejas: Jaime H. García, UT Brownsville; Southern CA: Denise Sandoval, CSU Northridge; Former Southern CA Rep.: Leonel Maldonado, CSU Los Angeles; Northern CA: César Lara, LUPE; Colorado: Arturo "Bones" Rodriguez; Former Colorado Rep: Marcos Martinez, Northeast Denver Parent Organization in Education Initiative (NEDPOE); COMPAS: Raoul Contreras, Indiana University Northwest; Community Caucus: José Moreno, CSU Northridge; K-12 Caucus: Axayacatzin "Xihuan" Montalvo, CSU Los Angeles; Graduate Student Caucus: Lisa Lapeyrouse, University of Michigan; Student Caucus: Pablo Ildefonso; Joto Caucus: Ernesto Martinez, Cornell University.

I.

Meeting begins at 6:45 pm

Norma E. Cantú, 2004-2005 Chair of the Coordinating Committee, preceding

I. Welcome

a. This will be a brief meeting to orient the new members and welcome new members to the Coordinating Committee

II. Information for New Caucus Chairs and FOCO representatives

a. Last weekend in October the mid-year meeting will occur, location TBA

b. Caucus Chairs and FOCO representatives' duties at the mid-year meeting include:

i. Bring (in writing) a formal report from their constituencies.

ii. Any resolutions to be considered.

iii. The reports and resolutions will be published in the newsletter.

III. Introduction of Continuing and New Members of the Editorial Committee

a. Carlos Guerrero will continue as Newsletter Editor.

b. Editorial Committee is composed of José Moreno, Ed Muñoz, Susan Greene, and Norma Cantú (who is stepping down), Sylvia Fuentes will replace Norma.

c. Ed Muñoz will chair the Editorial Committee.

IV. Discussion of selection of Treasurer

a. Both Ed Muñoz and Michael Hames-García were approached to run for Treasurer.

b. Ed Muñoz stated that he has institutional resources at the University of Wyoming that would aid the prepartion of Treasurer reports.

c. Michael Hames-García stated that due to his recent advancement to Associate Professor and his tenure, he can take on the Treasurer position.

d. After a discussion, Ed Muñoz decided to chair the Editorial Committee and Michael Hames-García will become the new NACCS treasurer.

V. Confirmation of new NACCS officers

a. A motion was made by Guadalupe San Miguel that we approve the appointments by acclamation. Lisa Lapeyrouse seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously. The new officers are approved by acclamation.

VI. New Business

b. Lisa Lapeyrouse reported on her election as graduate student caucus chair

c. Leonel Maldonado suggest that the Chair of the Cervantes Premio Committee be in charge of moderating the student plenary; the Coordinating Committee agrees

d. Discussion of who will chair the Cervantes Premio Committee and the NACCS Scholar Committee:

i. Michael Hames-García will remain as NACCS Scholar Committee Chair

ii. Leonel Maldonado is presently working change the guidelines of the Cervantes Premio to involve student caucus representatives; hence Leonel will continue as Cervantes Premio Committee Chair.

e. Congratulations to Michael Hames-García for his tenure and his forthcoming book

f. Congratulations to Guadalupe San Miguel's newly released book.

g. Norma Cantú suggests that reviews of these books appear on the NACCS newsletter

h. Xihuan Montalvo inquired about how to access the NACCS website to create a K-12 Caucus site; Norma E. Cantú reported that NACCS is in the process of hiring a person to manage the website.

i. Xihuan Montalvo inquired if K-12 NACCS members could receive free copies of Guadalupe San Miguel's new book for use in curriculum development.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm. Minutes submitted by Nohemy Solórzano-Thompson, 2004-2005 NACCS Secretary (edited by KBR for publication).

In Search of Cervantes Recipients

Are you a recipient of the Frederick A. Cervantes Award? Do you know of one? NACCS would like to compose a list of the Cervantes recipients and we are asking for you help. We are in need of their name, status (graduate or undergraduate recipient), paper title, field, and institution. Please send this information to Prof. Susan Green (1995 Graduate recipient) at sgreen@csuchico.edu.

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