Multicultural Education Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
College of Education

Members Present: Dr. Chhanda Islam, Dr. Bill Koenecke, Dr. George Patmor, and Mrs. Shirley Massie

Date: January 27, 2004

Room: AL 3230

The committee discussed how to rethink and restructure the priorities of educational services for minorities. Some of the concerns center on how to help minorities better meet the challenges in their lives and what must we do to become better perceived as just and equitable places in which all students can seek to achieve learning and self-fulfillment. Several new and exciting ideas were proposed for the Dean’s series. A proposal was developed about the Brown v. Board of Education activities.

Learning opportunities for all students and the Brown v. Board of Education activities: A Proposal

The Brown v. Board of Education program will address the challenges in providing higher education opportunities for African American students in Kentucky. Any specific concerns in light of the Brown v. Board of Education and the Civil Rights Act will be addressed.

The presenters will acknowledge that Kentucky has eliminated all vestiges of segregation in the public system of higher education, in accordance with Brown v. Board of Education. A brief history will be presented. The presenters will focus on the United States Supreme Court’s decisions in 1954, in the famous Brown v. Board of Education case. Dr. Russ Wall will discuss how Murray State University is committed to ensuring equal access to high quality education for all of the students regardless of race, or color.

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