

IPI Diversity Committee Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 7, 2021

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March Minutes were approved

New Committee Member

Janine Wanlass joined the diversity committee. Welcome Janine!

Master Speaker Proposal

Next opening to include diversity committee content is fall 2022. Reviewed diversity speaker proposal submitted by Andi. Discussed fitting into the existing master speaker series to maximize publicity and acceptance within the IPI community. The committee may use the diversity speaker series as a trial run to vet speakers before participating in an IPI weekend conference. The vetting process requires speakers to be viewed live.

The committee will seek input on the speakers from the IPI Director in hopes of holding a place for the fall 2022 schedule.

IPI October Conference

Co-chairs are asking the diversity committee to help prepare for the conference, which may include readings and/or presentations. The committee will ask conference co-chairs to clarify their request.

The committee discussed using the opportunity to be include as a way of increasing outreach to diverse populations. IPI will offer a conference discount to 2 or more participants from a particular organization.

Outreach

Discussed developing a list of community agencies and sending conference information to the HBCU contacts. Committee discussed refocusing conference outreach on local connections. The committee will ask former director for marketing for documents created under her leadership.

Committee will Invite October conference co-chairs to the next meeting to clarify their participation request.