

Hispanic Caucus Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2018

- Maria Alonso, TRiO Advisor, will be leading planning efforts for this year's *Celebracion de Graduacion*. A planning team will begin work on this event in March and will be asking for input from parents as well as students.
- Creating a page on the Hispanic Caucus webpage devoted to minutes was suggested. Holly Cranston will work with Taura to implement that suggestion.
- The upcoming American Dream Academy events were discussed. This is a program developed by Arizona State University that is being implemented at Mac-Hi in Milton-Freewater and at Wa-Hi in Walla Walla. Each school will host five sessions that are 100% en espanol and will discuss with parents and their students how to apply for college, where to look for scholarships, etc. This is sponsored by the Blue Mountain Community Foundation.
- John Hibbitts and Melissa Rodriguez were nominated by the Caucus to serve as Co-Spokesperson/Portavoz for the length of one year. This information will be added to the website, along with Holly Cranston listed as General Editor of the webpages.
- Angela Gomez discussed the Students of Color Conference; applications are online and flyer will soon be going out.
- Regional event – A conference offered by University of Washington will take place at Yakima Valley College March 3rd, and will focus on how professionals in Education can support undocumented and/or DACA students.