

**Boston College  
William F. Connell School of Nursing  
Diversity Advisory Board (DAB) Meeting  
Friday April 8, 2011, 12p-1p (lunch), meeting 1p-3p  
Cushing 411**

**Participants:**

**DAB members external to Boston College:**

- ◁ Linda Battle, DNP, PHCNS-BC, Lecturer, Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences at Texas Christian University
- ◁ Eva Gomez\*, RN, MSN, Staff Development e mez\*ment e , < &

Angelleen Peters-Lewis\*, RN, PhD, Director, Women's and Newborn Nursing and Clinical Services, Brigham & Women's Hospital

- ◁ Norma Martinez Rogers\*, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor/Clinical, University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, TX
- ◁ Jennie Chin Hansen\*, MS, RN, CEO, American Geriatrics Society

**DAB members from Boston College:**

issues of inclusivity and actually deal with difficult situations in clinical practice. This opened up a lively discussion (see below under “faculty development”).

## **5. Faculty Development Program in CSON**

C. Read reported on the CSON Diversity book club. Thus far the group has read and discussed *The Help*, by Kathryn Stockett; *Shanghai Girls*, by Lisa See; *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, by Rebecca Skloot; and *Little Bee*, by Chris Cleve. Most recently the group discussed an article by Carole Schroeder and Robin DiAngelo called “Addressing Whiteness in Nursing Education.” Copies of this were distributed to the attendees. The article describes actions taken by the University of Washington School of Nursing to fight oppression.

A major barrier to KILN student advising continues to be an inadequate number of faculty members from diverse backgrounds. Having Joana Maynard mentor our students offsets this somewhat.

We are already planning our proposal for the next round of funding so any and all ideas are welcome! Allyssa Harris will be taking a more central role next time.

**7. Next meeting preferences-** No home football game days. Continue open discussions about student experiences & stories.

Brainstorm session on Diversity Summit, January 10, 2011

Attendees: Cathy Read, Rosemary Byrne, Donna Cullinan, Maureen Connolly, Rosanna DeMarco, Allyssa Harris, Luanne Nugent, Melissa Sutherland, Jean Weyman