

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report: 2020

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose. (See the *Interest Networks Leadership Manual* for the purpose of the Interest Networks.

Interest Network:

Multicultural Concerns

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Annual Report

For the year that **just ended** (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used.

Objectives:

Recruitment of additional Executive Committee member was accomplished. At the 2019 national convention, two individuals present at the Business meeting volunteered to join the Executive Committee. These included Luis Valdez, with the AUCDD in Maryland and Kim Bruns, at the University of Kansas. Mr. Valdez, in particular, offered to assist in improving the social media offeree by this Interest group

The Chair attended the meeting of the Assembly of Professional Interests, during which status reports were provided by representatives of each of the Interest Network groups. In addition, there was considerable discussion of various social media options for communicating about the group's activities and available information about the area.

No funds were used. The only known previous use of funds was financial support for a student presenting on multicultural concerns at the 2016 Convention.

With the cancellation of the Annual Convention in 2020, it is obvious that additional work needs to be given to more general communication strategies.

Annual Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

For the **coming year** (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds.

Objectives:

Development of a mission statement for the Multicultural Concerns Interest Network

Presentation/poster by member(s) of the Interest Network at the 2021 Convention

An average of at least monthly postings on the AAIDD Community website

Development of alternate posting sites (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Pininterest)

At least 4 meetings of the Executive Committee (via conference call), with at least quarterly communication from that group with Interest Network group members

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Activities:

Business meeting at the 2021 Convention

Proposed Expenditure of Funds:

Dependent on availability, financial support for a student or young professional presenting on multicultural concerns at the 2021 convention.