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Supporting Diversity in Education

Understanding Ourselves, Our Colleagues and Our Students

March 28, 2008

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Program

- 9 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 10 a.m. Welcome: Dr. Ana Maria Schuhmann, Intermin Dean, College of Education

Introduction of Keynote Speaker : Dr. Janis Strasser, Professor, College of Education

Keynote Address:

Supporting Diversity in Education: Understanding Ourselves

Dr. Carl A. Grant is the Hoefs-Bascom Professor of Teacher Education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and Afro-American Studies at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He is a prominent speaker and author of multiple journal articles and texts including: *An Education Guide to Diversity in the Classroom* and *Turning on Learning: Five Approaches for Multicultural Teaching Plans for Race, Class, Gender and Disability.* He has co-authored (with Maureen Gillette) *Learning to Teach Everyone's Children: Equity, Empowerment, and Education that is Multicultural.* Dr. Grant was President of the National Association for Multicultural Education (NAME) from 1993-1999. His book *Global Construction of Multicultural Education: Theories and Realities* received the Philip C. Chinn Multicultural Book Award from NAME.

11:30 p.m. Understanding Diversity: Supporting Our Colleagues

Dr. Robert T. Carter is a Professor of Psychology and Education at Teachers College, Columbia University. He is a prominent speaker and author of multiple journal articles and texts including *Understanding and Dealing with Violence: A Multicultural Approach* and *Addressing Cultural Issues in Organizations: Beyond the Corporate Context.* The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Named Dr. Carter one of three fellows in 2004 ~2005. He was also awarded the Multicultural Research Award in 2001 by NAME.

12:45 p.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. <u>Understanding Diversity: Supporting Our Students</u>

Dr. Maureen Gillette is the Dean of the College of Education at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago. Her areas of research include urban education and preparing culturally responsive teachers. Dr. Gillette is the co-author (with Carl A. Grant) of *Learning to Teach Everyone's Children: Equity, Empowerment, and Education that is Multicultural.* She was the former director of the Paterson Teachers for Tomorrow (PT4T) in Paterson, NJ and was associate dean of the College of Education at William Paterson University.

3 p.m. Book Signing

William Paterson University Diversity Committee

Dr. Janis Strasser (Chair) • Dr. Mathilda Catarina • Dr. Kelly McNeal • Dr. Kevin Walsh