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Minutes for the meeting of LACUNY Multicultural and Diversity Roundtable – Tuesday, November 14, 2006.

Present: Geraldine B. Herbert (GH), BCC, Tess Tobin (TT), City Tech, co-chairs; Scott Sheidlower (SS), YC, secretary; Lisa Finder (LF), Hunter, President, LACUNY; Lisa Ellis (LE), Baruch.

Excused: LaRoi Lawton, BCC; Kenneth Schlesinger, LaGCC.

1. Meeting was held in the library at LaGCC; TT called meeting to order at 12:10 PM.

2. TT welcomed everyone to our first meeting of the semester.

3. TT spoke about future programs being planned.
   a. Friday, April 27, 2007 together with The Jewish Studies Dept. at Hunter College we will sponsor a talk by Roya Hakakian, the author of *Journey from the Land of No*. Ms. Hakakian is an Iranian Jewish author, who came to the US with her family after the Iranian Revolution. She will talk about her experiences. The program will be held at Hunter College.
   b. TT has made contact with a faculty member in the Baruch communications department who is willing to give a program on Cross-Cultural Communication. We could give this in conjunction with the Reference Roundtable.
      i. SS said he’d been to a workshop at York about teaching English Language Learners (ELL) students and maybe one of those presenters would attend to help us learn how to teach those students.

4. We need to get Monica Berger at City Tech to resend the multicultural website she made so that we can look over it again.

5. Elections
   a. By acclamation TT was confirmed as Chair; SS was confirmed as Secretary.
   b. It was announced that Madeline had been promoted and stepped down as co-chair of the roundtable.