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Ethnic Student Center

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**To:** Renee' Collins, Kevin Majkut, Ted Pratt

**From:** Michael M. Vendiola

**Date:** Tuesday, October 25, 2011

**Subject:** New Horizons for the Ethnic Student Center & Michael M. Vendiola

*"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."*—Dr. Suess

Please allow me the opportunity to say **thank you for all of the faith, support, and knowledge you have afforded me** over the past 14 years as a professional and over 20 years as a member of the Ethnic Student Center. I am at a point in my life where I have to answer to two items:

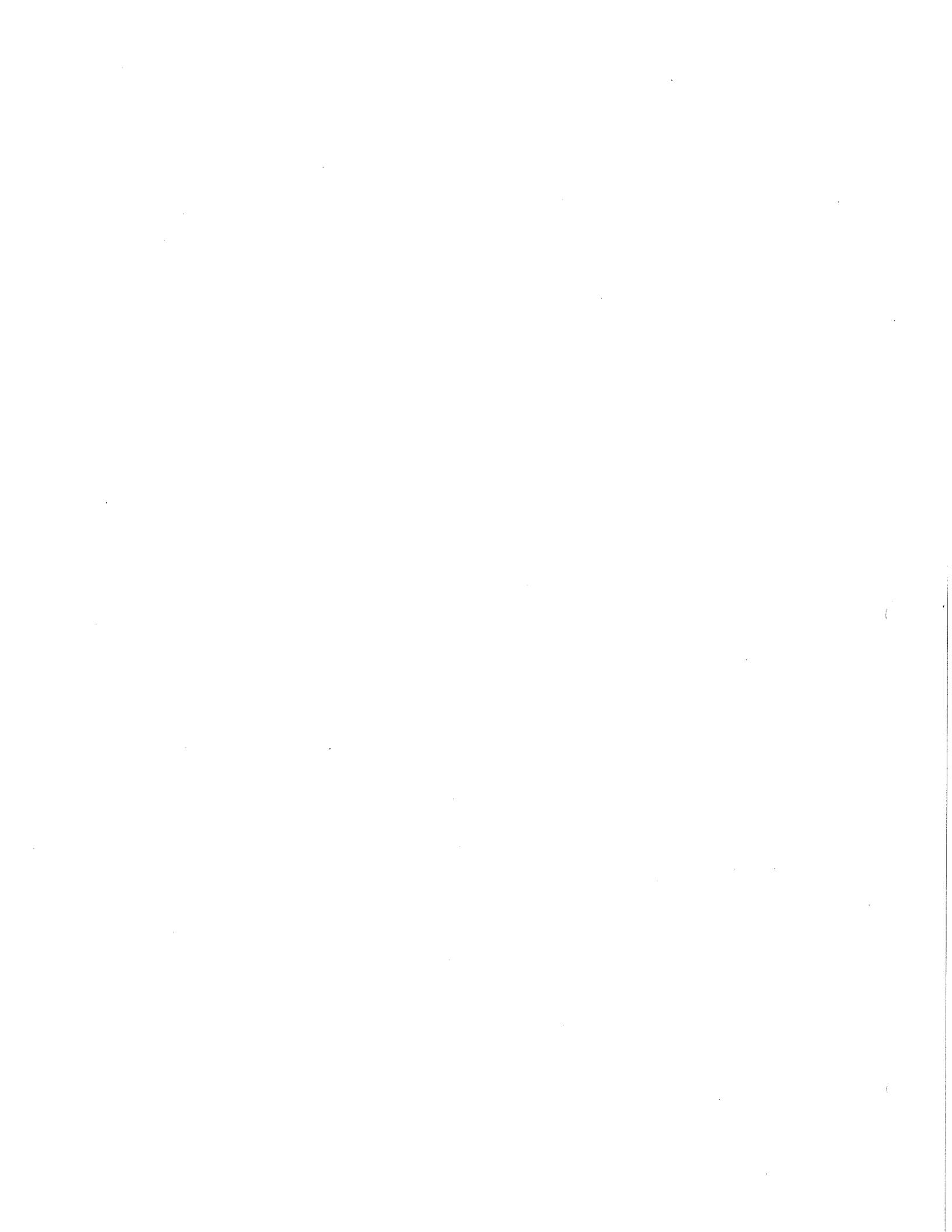
- 1) Every workday I travel from my tribal community to the non-Native community. This is not only a physical journey, but also a spiritual and emotional journey each day as I purposely leave my community to help another thrive. After much reflection, discussion with Mom, family and community, and facing some realities of my responsibilities, **it is time to return home.**
- 2) After over 20 years as a leader of the Ethnic Student Center community, I have to rely on my contribution to the movement we have built. What this means is that **I have to be confident in the Ethnic Student Center leadership that lays in wait.** I have to have faith in this leadership and that it can further the mission and vision of the early students of color. Lastly, but most important, I have to make way for it.

So, in light of my consideration of these two items, I must announce my departure from the Ethnic Student Center Coordinator/Activities Adviser.

In Xlemi Chosen there is a phrase that is used: *Estit tem sem*. The literal translation is, "I'm doing the best that I can." However, literal translations do not always capture the nuances and intentions of a phrase. With these included, to say *Estit tem sem* is to say that I am a part of a community, I represent my family, and I am doing the best that I can for my community and my family. **I believe that I have done the best that I can for the Ethnic Student Center community and family.** Again, I thank you for the opportunity to do this for so many years.

As you already know, I carry many roles within my tribal community. Being a part of the Ethnic Student Center at Western Washington University has assisted greatly in fulfilling some of these roles. However, I have been presented with an opportunity from my home tribe of Swinomish that I cannot ignore. While I will be an employee of the tribe, **I will have access to many physical, spiritual, and emotional areas of growth that I could not have imagined I would be blessed with having.** While exploring these I hope to help the community be stronger. My family is in strong support of this endeavor.

Again, I thank you for all of the things you've afforded me, way too many to even mention. I don't believe that my contributions to Western will cease with my departure from the Ethnic Student Center. I do have intention to contribute to the scholarly arena once I am prepared, I know that we will need to discuss a plan of action for my departure. I am intending to make my last day at the Ethnic Student Center be November 23. I appreciate any support in making this transition happen smoothly.



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Cold Beverage Student Committee

Funding Proposal Form

516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225-3839

#New Form

ColdBeverageGuidelinesfinal.pdf

Cold Beverage Website: http://www.wvu.edu/vpsa/coldbev index.shtm

Cold Beverage Student Committee Student Affairs and Academic Support Services

FUNDING GUIDELINES & PROCESS

Title of Proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dept/Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Stop: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty/Staff responsible for Event or Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Date decision needed (proposal must be received two weeks prior to this date): \_\_\_\_\_

Date funding needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Funding: \_\_\_\_\_ Budget Code: \_\_\_\_\_

One-time event

Pilot of On-going Program (Ongoing funding must come from other sources)

Request is for: SELECT

Event Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Location(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_

Admission: Student Price: \_\_\_\_\_ General Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use this blank budget form, it has formulas filled in already. If you wish, attach an additional sheet with more details.

Brief Project Description: (no more than 500 words)

[Empty text box for project description]

Benefit to Broad Spectrum of Campus Community Members: (no more than 200 words)

[Empty text box for benefit to campus community members]

Tie to WWU Strategic Directions, Themes & Priorities: (no more than 200 words)

**Publicity/Advertising Plan (if applicable): (no more than 200 words)**

**Co-Sponsors or Additional funding (confirmed and unconfirmed):**

**For Lecture Proposals, also include:**

**The general theme and how that these relates to campus academic programs and goals for student learning: (no more than 500 words)**

**How the speaker ties in to course work: (no more than 200 words)**

**Attendance for speaker at similar events: (please include room capacity and actual attendance):**

**Speaker Bio:**

**For use by CBC Committee and VP for Student Affairs Office.**

**Committee Comments:**

<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>JV Number</b>	<b>JV Date</b>
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