1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. The following were present at today’s meeting: Staci Shoals, Judy Drake, Preston Allen, Myraline Whitaker, Steve Ross, William Hatchet, Jeffery Alexander, Annie Holmes, Ricardo Ortega, Bernard Anderson, Sandi Wemigwase, Camille OBryant, Renoda Campbell, Kem French, Everett Brooks, Terrance Harris, Juliette Duke
   b. Welcome new members: William Hatchet, Michael, West

2. Updates
   a. Danny encouraged folks to see Selma
   b. MLK celebration in Paso Robles was well attended
   c. Danny has reached out to CFSLA to collaborate on a joint event to celebrate Cesar Chavez Day and MLK
   d. Judy Drake told us about the African American exhibit she used to set up at the Kennedy Library
   e. FSA Report from Danny and Everette
      i. Still discussions about concerns related to sexual assaults and fraternities; Cal Poly has places Greek organizations on social probation for the next six months
      ii. There’s been some discussion on the idea of not allowing students to join sororities/fraternities in their freshmen year
      iii. Still big problems with binge drinking on campus
      iv. SOAR 2015 will be mandatory for all students; university officials are looking into ways to minimize financial/logistical hardship on students so that attending SOAR will be inclusive to all; someone reported that there was talk about possibility of providing charter bus service from LA or Bay area to campus but Andrene contacted Camille later and said that there will be no bus service to campus for students who are attending SOAR
      v. There was also some discussion among FSA leadership on the topic of mandatory housing for students and the potential impacts for students and members of the campus community.
   f. BSU – Brothers and Sisters United
      i. There are 21 students who have been meeting to set up this organization. They are very motivated. The students have written their by-laws and are in the final stages of getting their charter approved through ASI.
      ii. They want to be involved with BFSA
      iii. Once they elect officers, we should add their names to the BFSA email distribution list
      iv. We discussed the possibility of a joint BFSA/BSU reception

3. BFSA Events
   a. SLO Film Festival in March – encouraged folks to go and watch “The Mask You Live In’ which is a project that Ashanti Branch (Cal Poly alum) is involved with
      (Http://thepreventionproject.org/the-mask-you-live-world premiere
b. April 4 – 6 – The Ever Forward Club (Ashanti Branch’s non-profit) will have a group of students on campus. Perhaps BFSA can assist with this event.

c. April 14 - Max Brooks – The Harlem Hell Fighters event at Spanos Theater at 7:00 p.m.

d. April 28 – bell hooks will be on campus!!!!

e. May 8 – 16 – Inclusive Excellence Week : OUDi is coordinating the calendar for this event; here are a few highlights of what will happen that week, stay tuned for more details
   i. Laverne Cox – May 14
   ii. Unity Walk - Date TBD
   iii. Brown Bag Lunch – Date TBA/TBD
   iv. Inclusive Excellence Summit and Diversity Awards

f. July 24 – 26, 2015 – Black Legacy Weekend

4. Other special events
   a. University housing will sponsor a showing of the film “Far from Home
   b. Flyer was distributed for the African American Women’s Luncheon
   c. Black Commencement – Friday, June 12, 2015 at Spanos Theater

5. Awareness
   a. Steffan Tubb, CP Alum and author bay be a part of the Cal Poly Alumni Film Series; showing the film “Life, Liberty and Resilience (http://www.steffantubbs.com)

6. Membership/Dues
   a. A reminder to please pay your BFSA membership dues. Registration forms available at today’s meeting. Form will also be available at http://bfsa.calpoly.edu

7. Other Business
   a. CAS (Connections for Academic Success) will have a reception on February 17, 2015 @ 5 p.m.
   b. Missy Bullock is going to be putting on a show for Inclusive Excellence Week (Sage the Gemini may also be performing)
   c. Black Commencement – Juliette and Renoda are co-advisors; currently hoping to have 25 students participate; students are currently searching for a keynote presenter, an Emcee, and someone to conduct the Rites of Passage
   d. Camille shared BEACoN Mentor brochures and flyers about upcoming BEACoN Mentor event on February 24 (knowing and using your strengths)