APIFSA History

APIFSA was organized in the fall of 1980 by California State University, East Bay (formerly Hayward) faculty and staff to address the needs of the growing number of Asian/Pacific Islander faculty, staff and students on the campus. There were many concerns about Asian American course offerings, Asian American Studies, glass ceilings and English as a Second Language issues.

Through the years, APIFSA has been involved in a myriad of activities that include:

- establishment of Asian American Studies;
- involvement in the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation and tenure faculty process;
- wrote and executed an API Health and Sexuality forum from an Office of Diversity grant;
- fundraising for APIFSA scholarships;
- CRAFTernoon with student clubs;
- co-authoring a published booklet, "Guide to the Pronunciation of Asian Pacific Names"

to increase awareness of the communication process and interpersonal interactions that take place on our diverse campus and in

APIFSA's Goals and Objectives

APIFSA's purpose is to ensure, encourage and foster the personal, academic and professional well-being of Asian/Pacific Islanders on campus.

The overall goal is to build and strengthen access for students, faculty, and staff by promoting an awareness of current and historical API issues.

This organization also functions as a bridge in defining, developing and supporting retention survival strategies for API students on campus by building a stable foundation that provides opportunities for personal development and an avenue for cultural community involvement.

APIFSA Membership

Annual Membership Dues are $25.00. There is no membership fee charged for current CSUEB students. Membership fees are due and payable at the beginning of each academic year, pro-rated on a quarterly basis. Dues help fund events sponsored by APIFSA, guest speaker stipends, as well as registration fees for students at API related conferences.

To join: Fill out the form on the reverse side, attach a check payable to "Cal State East Bay Educational Foundation", Memo: APIFSA Membership. Mail to: Denise Wong, Student Service Center Coordinator, SC-N 131, 25800 Carlos Bee Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94542

APIFSA's Meetings

APIFSA meets once a month.

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