Leadership Roles (2013 – 2014)

Based on the goals and priorities we established for this year, we felt it was important to modify the leadership roles to help ensure achieving our desired outcomes. It was also recommended that the “faces” of the leadership do not change significantly as we are gaining visibility with the administration and we want to ensure the administration knows who the NDG leadership is.

Alex Jones, Chair – this role will focus on advocacy (see goals & priorities document) and run meetings. The chair will also focus more “inward” on the NTID community; having more contact and interaction with the general membership, and potential members. In addition, the chair should ensure that the workloads are shared among the leadership team so that no one is overburdened.

John Reid, Vice Chair – this role will focus on advocacy (see goals & priorities document) and run meetings in conjunction with or in the absence of the chair. The vice chair will also focus on recruitment/networking externally with AALANA professionals around the country to build our database of candidates.

Sarah Sarchet, Secretary – this role will take meeting minutes and serve as communications officer between leadership, members, and our strategic partners. The secretary will work closely with the chair and vice chair.

Thomastine Sarchet and Yvette Chirenje, Research Liaisons – these are newly formed roles in response to our goal to be more data driven (see goals and & priorities document). The research team will have two arms: development of the AALANA professionals database and collection/analysis of AALANA data points from several internal and external sources/

Marcus Holmes and Kelly Lenis, Program Coordinators – these roles have been modified to establish a focus for each individual. The programming coordinators will have two arms: student engagement and faculty/staff engagement (see goals & priorities document). The student engagement coordinator will focus on getting NDG involved in student events (like Step Up, Ethnic Fest, etc. for example) and look for other opportunities to participate. The faculty/staff engagement coordinator will focus on professional development for members, guest presenters, and support faculty/staff participation in student programs.

Jonathan Hopkins, Catherine Clark, and Miriam Santana Valadez, Advisors – this role will serve as a general support system for the leadership team. The advisors will attend meetings, plan leadership retreats, and assist otherwise as needed. In addition for this year, the advisors will take responsibility for planning “rap sessions” (see goals & priorities document).