## The Future Asian American Pacific Islander Center 1/14/16

- API students representatives (~25)
- CAPAS- Janet spoke on past efforts
- Admin present (~15)
- Activity
  - o last three questions:
    - I wish the API Center will provide...
      - specific counseling services
      - API programming
      - outreach/networking opportunities
      - lounge area
      - retention program
      - mentoring
      - computer lab
      - workshop/activity area
      - wall of events
      - mural avenues of expression/art programming
      - safe space
      - academic/financial aid resources
      - bringing already existing student resources
      - community centers brought in to share
      - representative art
      - mental health resources
      - community involvement
      - iob/internship resources
      - API alumni reconnection
      - international student resources
      - computer lab
      - Event/Work/Org Space
      - API Advising/Mentoring/Staffing
    - Being a (major), academically, I am concerned about...
      - lack of culturally relevant programs
      - addressing microaggression/cultural competency
      - library
      - programming support for student groups
      - study abroad programs
      - access to API and allies faculty/ staff
      - empowerment for API students + women
      - representation in curriculum
      - need help with fast track program
      - peer mentors
      - Western Undergraduate Exchange (in-state tuition)
      - advisors and counselors not familiar with API struggles
      - Study/Networking/Social Space
      - Scholarships from API sources and Financial Aid assistance
      - Cultural Acceptance & Belonging = Efficacy

- I'd like to be involved by making this API Center a reality by...
  - anything & everything
  - donating resources
  - cultural lessons/situationers
  - community support
  - sponsorships
  - conversations with student who don't identify as API
  - solidarity from other student groups
  - architecture students involvement in structure
  - student led workshops/events
  - API guest speakers
  - spreading awareness
  - cultivating student leaders
  - be on the recruitment team
  - mentorships
  - at least one API student or involvement
  - have students on advisory board to provide input
  - Reaching out to other API Students and communities outside of PSU
  - Sharing experiences
  - Organizing Workshops/Events
  - Educational & Cultural Resources (Donations from Orgs)

## Admin Notes

- o Gathering Space, Building Community
  - contributes to the whole academic spectrum
- o What we can do right now
  - Smith advisory board openings
    - Contact Cynthia
  - looking for students to serve on hiring committee
  - reaching out to students who may not be in a SALP recognized group
  - consider being on the student fee committee
  - consider joining cultural resource team
    - info on website
  - Being aware of workforce dynamic trends (diversity, equity, etc.)
  - working with families in the community
  - Always be aware when divide and conquer mentality is happening
    - staying separated is dangerous