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Subject: [Fwd: Danelle – Curriculum related question (An Introduction)]
Date: February 9, 2010 5:18:58 PM PST
To: William Fischer <fischerw@pdx.edu>

Hi, Bill, Since this person is talking about language instruction testing, I bet you might be the better person for him to talk to. See below. What do you think?

Dannelle

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Subject: Danelle - Curriculum related question (An Introduction)
Date: Tue, 9 Feb 2010 15:33:33 -0800
From: Kevin Kecskes <kecskesk@pdx.edu>
To: David Smith-Ferri <DavidS@drycreekrancheria.com>, Dannelle Stevens <bgsd@pdx.edu>

Hi Danelle,

This is a bit of a "favor" as well as an "opportunity." A very dear, long-time friend of mine -- David Smith-Ferri -- is working with the Pomo Indian tribe in N Cal and has sent me the following request for some assistance. You might recall David's name since he was the featured speaker at one of our "Civic Engagement Breakfasts" a year or two ago; David is a poet and was reading from his book of political poetry against the Iraq War.

If I did not know you so well, I might ask David to craft more of a "need statement" for this intro, but I think that there is enough below to give you an idea of what he is looking for...and I am hoping that you might find time to connect via e-mail and then have a phone conversation with him. You are both very committed to the right causes and so I appreciate this opportunity to maybe help the world spin a bit more true by putting you both together in this way.

Let me know how this goes and if I might assist further.

THANK YOU, Kevin

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From: David Smith-Ferri <<mailto:DavidS@drycreekrancheria.com>>
To: 'kecskesk@pdx.edu' <<mailto:'kecskesk@pdx.edu'>>
Sent: Tuesday, February 09, 2010 1:55 PM
Subject: hello from David S-F and a question

Hey Kev. Its too long since weve talked, and here I am writing with a work-related question.

Im writing a grant that will fund the development of Southern Pomo language curriculum, teaching tools, and plan a teacher certification program for the Tribe. In part of the proposal I will be talking about testing curriculum/teaching tools on children and adults. I dont know much of anything about testing curriculum, and I dont have to become expert in it, but I do want to be able to talk about it intelligently. Can you think of a colleague (in curriculum development?) at the university who could think aloud with me about this in a brief phone or email conversation?

I can write something to be forwarded to someone, if thats the best way to go about this.

Dave

Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians

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