

Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Campus Climate

March 11, 2016 – 12:00-1:30pm

AS-125

Minutes

Present: Andy Vaca, Sherry Span, Dina Perrone, Pei-Fang Hung, Meghan Griffith, Kirsten Sumpter, Cynthia Orozco, Enri'que Flores, Tracy Tolbert, Amy-Xiaoshi DePaola, Keith Freeseemann (ex-officio), Genice Sarcedo (ex-officio)

Absent: Anna Nazarian-Peters, Shae Miller, Jayy Lee, Chris Brown, Michael Carbuto

Guests: Kevin Clinton, Kirstyn Chun, Jon Higgins, Matt Lewis, Cara Surkin

I. Approval of Minutes

- Meeting was called to order at 12:03 pm
- The Minutes from February 12, 2016 were approved

II. Approval of Agenda

- The agenda was amended to delay a discussion on a Resolution for Gender Neutral Restrooms and add Student Forum discussion
- The agenda was approved as amended

III. Business

A. Housing & Residential Life: Cara Surkin and Matt Lewis

- Gender neutral housing exists
 - Not currently advertised (students must request)
 - Current efforts to make it more available/known
 - Will be added to application as option to select
 - Housed at Beachside because of facility features
- Reorganization of Housing and Res Life
 - Surveyed current resident population about areas of interest
 - Small group responded with high interest in LGBTQ themed housing
 - Want to ensure safety especially in regard to restroom facilities
- Proposed LGBTQ themed community at Parkside/Hillside
 - Housing is seeking input from interested campus groups/programs to support the RAs in their programming and themed communities
 - Subcommittee will start to develop ideas for RAs while housing continues to develop the themed community option

B. Committee Reports

- Student & Faculty Organizations Connections Committee: Shae Miller (Chair), Jon Higgins, Kirstyn Chun
 - Did not meet
- Student Success Initiative Committee: Pei-Fang Hung (Chair), Amy DePaola, Logan Vournas
 - Logan still collecting data from SOAR
 - Logan working to pass initiative within ASI
- LGBTQ Pride in Athletics and Club Sports Committee: Dina Perrone (Chair), Meghan Griffith, Andy Vaca
 - Safe Zone training for Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
 - No response from Club/Rec Sports to report

- Jon and Dina met with Cindy Masner and Stephanie Baugh regarding bringing a (straight) speaker to discuss ally issues within sports
 - Cindy will discuss with Vic Cegles to see if money is available to sponsor this event for fall 2016
 - LGBTQ-Themed Housing Committee: Cynthia Orozco (Chair), Genice Sarcedo, Jon Higgins, Shae Miller, Chris Brown
 - Continue recommendations for housing
 - Developing toolkit for RAs so they can have access to information to use in programs
- C. Membership Modifications to Charge
- Dina, Enri'que, and Andy met with Academic Senate Executive Committee on Feb 17
 - Will meet with them again when the Academic Senate Executive Committee puts the recommendations this committee approved via email on February 27 on the agenda
- D. Student Forum March 10, 2016
- Students are very concerned about an array of issues across campus, especially the administration's handling of a February 2016 incident in which a student had a knife in a sociology class.
 - Student Affairs held a forum to allow students to voice concerns.
 - Student Affairs invited faculty with particular expertise to join a panel for supporting students on a stage during the forum.
 - As students presented their concerns with both tears and anger, Student Affairs stood down from the podium and remained silent.
 - Consequently, the Sociology Student Association has a list of demands that has not been presented publicly until at this CLGBTQCC meeting
 - This committee wants to support students
 - Perception matters and needs to be addressed
 - Bias Response Team similar to what has been established at other institutions
 - Students can anonymously report
 - Holistic response
 - Will put together an initial response similar to what other groups have done
 - Tracy will draft statement of support from this committee
- E. Campus Climate Committee Update
- Inclusive Excellence Committee has been developed without any consultation of the Campus Climate Committee
 - CCC and IEC have agreed to work together
 - Campus Climate Survey desired by both groups
- IV. Next Meeting
- April 8, 2016

Adjourned 1:34pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kirsten Sumpter, Recorder