

Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Campus Climate
May 8, 2015 – 12:00-1:00pm
AS-125

Minutes

Present: Gabriel Estrada, Keith Freeseemann, Kirsten Sumpter, Meghan Griffith, Andy Vaca, Tracy Tolbert, Sherry Span, Logan Vournas, Sharon Cruz, Dina Perrone, Kristi Hagans

Guests: Kirstyn Chun, Kevin Clinton, Neil Hultgren, Ronda Dynice Brooks

Absent: Larisa Hamada, Dori Levy, Michael Carbuto, Chris Brown, Anna Nazarian-Peters

I. Approval of Minutes

- Meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm
- The Minutes from April 10, 2015 were approved

II. Approval of Agenda

- The Agenda was approved

III. Business

A. Slate for 2015-2016 Membership

- Executive Committee (Chair and Vice Chair) met to discuss candidates
 - Kirsten Sumpter and Enrique Flores appointed to three-year terms
 - Sharon Cruz named as alternate
- Chair of nominating committee will be in contact with candidates for faculty positions

B. Advertising Staff CLGBTQCC Positions in future years

- Gabriel confirmed with Berta Hanson about Staff Council's ability to support filling vacant staff positions
 - Staff Council is able to advertise for interested staff for the yearly position
 - They put out the call, and then ask for interested staff members to submit information to Staff Council
 - Then the council votes on the submitted candidates.
- We will need to alert Staff Council to our need in March for assistance

C. ASI Resolutions Supporting Preferred Names and Collecting Data on Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation

- ASI passed a resolution to Support the Office of Equity and Diversity in their preferred name policy for transgender students
 - Will be implemented in Fall 2015
- ASI passed a resolution in Support of Adding Sexual Orientation Fields to the Student Intent to Enroll Form
 - This does not have a set timeline for implementation yet
 - It is suggested this committee works with Institutional Research and/or Enrollment Services to ensure appropriate options/wording for these question(s)
 - AB 620 has requested the CSU to collect this data

- According to Ray Murillo at the Chancellor's Office, CSU Mentor application will include LGBTQ Identity question(s) beginning in August 2015 for the Spring 2016 admission cycle
 - It is likely that by Spring 2016 continuing students will be able to update their status in their student portal
 - This resolution was also sent to CSU Chancellor Tim White
 - Both resolutions have been sent to President Conoley, VP Carmen Taylor, Dean of Students Jeff Klaus, Director of Equity and Diversity Larisa Hamada, all CSULB and ASI Organizations, all current and future ASI Officers, the Daily 49er, the Union Weekly
 - CFA LGBTQ Caucus is aware that campuses vary in their collection of data on LGBTQ students and will continue to monitor the progress
- D. Annual Report
- Two page report due July 1
 - Gabriel and Dina will draft document and send to committee for review by June 8
 - Will include work from year such as letter to president, Pride Index, advocating for full-time staff member for LGBTQ Resource Center, need for use of preferred names for students
- E. Assistant Director of Multicultural Affairs and Student Resource Centers
- Gabriel spoke with Dr. James Saucedo, Director of the Multicultural Center about these new positions
 - Two staff members (SSP III positions) will be hired to oversee five centers
 - Alejandro Muro will still be grad student assistant at LGBTQ Resource Center
 - Gabriel invited the new hire to our meeting, and Dr. Saucedo accepted this offer
 - Alejandro Muro will be on search committee and possibly Logan Vournas
 - CLGBTQCC to recommend that this new hire become the SLD appointed representative to this committee
 - Concern was voiced that CLGBTQCC as the only officially recognized staff/faculty LGBTQ group on campus was not consulted or made part of the search committee/hiring process yet will feel a sense of duty to ensure the new employee is up to speed to deal with the complex issues faced by LGBTQ students
- F. LGBTQ Initiative Update
- Ray Murillo from the CO confirmed that this would be a campus based initiative, not CSU initiative, so it would need approval from Vice President Carmen Taylor, not from the CO
 - Brett Waterfield confirmed that former VP Robinson was the approving force for the Men's Success Initiative, not the CO
 - This new confirmation has been sent to VP C. Taylor
 - She has not yet responded
 - Will follow-up in mid-June to determine if this is something she will support
 - Logan will send Dina information she has collected from student groups so their desires can be addressed in our request for support of the initiative
- G. End of Year Gathering
- After Lavender Grad: May 18 evening
 - Location to be Agua y Viento unless it closes early and then we will gather at Hot Java

IV. Announcements

- Lavender Graduation: Monday, May 18, 5-7:00 PM Central Plant (across from Robuks and Coffee Bean). President Conoley will be in attendance and speaker is Long Beach Mayor and CSULB Alumnus, Dr. Robert Garcia. Faculty and staff need to register. http://web.csulb.edu/divisions/students/sld/events_and_programs/cgc/lavender/
- End of year celebration at Hot Java following Lavender Graduation
- *Insights* is the annual School of Art student exhibition on display at the University Art Museum through May 24. Juried by a panel of distinguished alumni and guests, the exhibition features work from both undergraduate and graduate students in all programs.
- Alexandra Billings of Theatre Arts will be the commencement speaker at the COTA ceremony on Thursday, May 21 at 9am.
- Red Circle Project Celebrating All Life and Creation Pow Wow June 20 10am-6pm at Plummer Park in West Hollywood.

V. Next Meeting

- September 11 at 12:00 pm.

Adjourned 12:59 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kirsten Sumpter, Recorder