

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

May 9, 2014 – 12:00-1:00pm

AS-125

Minutes

Present: Dori Levy, Kirsten Sumpter, Andy Vaca, Neil Hultgren, Sharon Cruz, Keith Freeseemann

Absent: Kate Clark, Chris Brown, Dina Perrone, Shannon Cholakian, Ashley Carter, Larisa Hamada, Anna Nazarian-Peters, Mary Beth Perdue, Michael Carbutto, Kristi Hagans, Tracy Tolbert

Guests: Meghan Griffith, Kirstyn Chun, Heidi Burkey

I. Approval of Minutes

- Meeting was called to order at 12:04pm
- The Minutes from April 11, 2014 were approved

II. Approval of Agenda

- The Agenda was approved with no additions

III. Membership Update 2014-2015

- Meghan Griffith (staff) and Sherry Span (faculty) will replace termed out members next year; Dori Levy and Tracy Tolbert were appointed to serve another year
- Meetings will be on the second Friday of the month, 12:00pm-1:00pm, Sept-Dec, Feb-May
- Officers will be elected at September meeting

IV. Update on CLGBTQCC Charges

A. Charge #1-Perform Periodic Needs Assessments of Campus Climate in Regards to LGBT Issues

- Campus Press Release generated coverage on improved Campus Pride Index score
 - OC Register <http://www.oregister.com/articles/campus-609916-five-lgbt.html>
 - Daily 49er <http://www.daily49er.com/news/2014/04/07/campus-pride-gets-a-boost/>
 - CSULB Website under University News <http://www.csulb.edu/sites/newsatthebeach/2014/04/csulb-faculty-staff-students-work-to-raise-universitys-campus-pride-index-rating-on-lgbtq-issues/>
- Subcommittee on LGBTQ Administration
 - Discussion began in 2006 and has been continued about bringing staffing of LGBTQ Resource Center to needed levels and comparable to other similar sized universities
 - Student assistant is currently fielding calls from recently out students, those kicked out of homes, homeless, recently diagnosed with health issues, coming out, and more
 - Lack of staff member in Center has limited the connection with Student Health Services
 - In fall will draft proposal for full time staffing.

B. Charge #2-Specific Actions to Improve Campus Climate Regarding LGBT Issues

- Discussed addition of optional question about sexuality to freshman survey (CIRP Survey)
 - http://www.csulb.edu/divisions/students/assessment/annual_freshman_survey_CIRP/
 - Mike Carbutto consulted Dr. Susan Platt and it seems feasible to add this sort of question to future survey
 - Confidential information in this survey is not available to undergraduate student assistants
- Heidi Burkey presented detailed results of Fall 2013 Student Health Status Survey
 - Did not specifically ask sexual orientation but will in the future
 - 977 completed surveys, 53 were interpreted as LGBT from data
 - Feedback from committee suggests expanding the definition of online hook up to include smartphones/apps
 - Further suggestions can be sent to Heidi Burkey

C. Charge #3-Submit Annual Report

- Reviewed second draft compiled by Neil Hultgren with addition of Action Items for next year
- Report Approved.
- Report will be sent to Marshall Thomas (Campus Climate Committee Chair), Aracely Montes, and Dan O'Connor
 - Typically the Academic Senate Executive Committee invites chairs of committees to present reports in the fall.
 - As a subcommittee of the Campus Climate Committee, it may fall upon that chair to present information on behalf of this committee.

D. Charge #4-University Educational Programs

- Safe Zone
 - No updates available
- Safety Week
 - No updates available

E. Charge #5-Consult with Constituencies

- No updates available
- Neil will consult with Dan O'Connor prior to starting a Facebook group for this committee

F. Charge #6-Partnerships with other Cultural Groups and Organizations

- Sharon Cruz presented information from Tracy Tolbert including a list of Student Organizations as a place to begin our outreach
http://www.csulb.edu/divisions/students/sld/student_organizations/listing/index.html#09
- Suggestions for next year include developing a mission statement and a pamphlet/brochure to help information distribution to potential collaborators

V. Announcements

- Lavender Graduation: May 19, 5-7 pm
http://www.csulb.edu/divisions/students/sld/events_and_programs/cgc/lavender/
- Shoreline Frontrunners, a non-profit supporter of the LGBTQ Resource Center and other area LGBTQ Centers is holding their annual Pride Run. May 18, 8 am, before the Pride parade. They are seeking volunteers, runners, and walkers. <http://wp.shorelinefrontrunners.org>

VI. Next Meeting

- September 12 at 12:00 pm.

Adjourned 1:05 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kirsten Sumpter, Recorder