

NAU LGBTQIA Commission

Meeting Minutes

10/10/2018

**Introductions**: Please Indicate Name, Campus/ Community Affiliation, and Gender Pronouns (EX: she/her/hers, they/them/theirs, he/him/his, etc.)

**Attendees:**Ainan, co-chair
April, co-chair
Megan Trout, graduate assistant
Erin Plese
Calvin Legassie
Sara Olson
Holly Allar
Pam Olsen
Sandi Smith
Ari Burford
Dee Wegwert
Joe Wegwert
Amanda Meeks

* Called to order 12:30 p.m.
	+ All attendees introduced themselves.

**Scholarship Fund**: $11,971.72

**Commission Updates:**

* + Distributed choice of 4 logos to vote on
		1. Vote held by written ballot
			1. #3 mountain theme logos won, but discussion was held about it being too similar to IMQ
			2. #1 was nominated, vote was held – all yays, no nays
	+ Co-chairs discussed new Listserv policies
		1. After discussion, vote was held – All yays, no nays
		2. Objective: reduce the number of the emails, and ensure all correspondence aligns with Commission mission and objectives
		3. Emails will be sent out on the 1st and 15th each month
		4. Any partisan political events or candidates cannot be promoted via the listserv
			1. Anything questionable, will review with Priscilla Mills and Lauren Copeland-Glenn to determine if it is appropriate
			2. Includes ABOR policy about prohibiting promoting of propositions, although they can be discussed
			3. We are of course allowed to speak about this at off campus, after hours social events
		5. Surveys will not be distributed by the listserv, but co-chairs will consult about where is appropriate to send. We can of course still let people know who to contact about particular surveys and they can follow up with more info.
			1. It would not prohibit faculty and staff from sharing their surveys/research at the LGBTQIA public Commission meetings, and is encouraged
	+ Discussion about digital signage

**Community/Organization Updates:**

* + **Coming Out Week –** Library resources were made available to check out**.**
* **Good News in the News**
	+ Cuba National Assembly unanimously included a gender neutral concept of marriage and therefore same sex marriage is legal in new constitution. Defined as “consensual union of two people, regardless of gender”
	+ <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/jul/23/cubas-new-constitution-paves-way-for-same-sex-marriage>
	+ In Chile, congress has passed a gender identity law that allows one to change the name and gender marker in official documents.
	+ <https://www.apnews.com/5237d064fdf541ec94017579f4f13ae6>
	+ State of California has passed a resolution calling on medical professionals to delay surgical interventions with diverse sex characteristics, so that the individual can participate in that decision once they are of age to consent.
	+ <https://www.hrw.org/news/2018/08/28/california-resolution-affirms-intersex-rights>
	+ Switzerland votes to make homophobia and transphobia carry a prison sentence.
	+ <https://www.pinknews.co.uk/2018/10/02/switzerland-homophobia-transphobia-prison/>
	+ New York City Mayor DeBlasio signed a law allowing people to choose a third gender on their birth certificate
	+ <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-lgbt-new-york/new-york-city-creates-gender-neutral-x-option-for-birth-certificates-idUSKCN1MJ2OP>
	+ UN Independent Expert on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity statement on Protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (excellent statement)
	+ <https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/sexualorientationgender/pages/index.aspx> and here:
	+ <https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/G16/154/15/PDF/G1615415.pdf?OpenElement>
	+ Romania had a vote to define that marriage is only between a male and a female, which did not pass
	+ <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-45779107>
	+ **VOTE!!!**  Your early ballot will be mailed October 10th if you are signed up for the early ballot. Otherwise, Election Day is on Tuesday November 6th.
* **Social Committee**
	+ October 14th and October 21st 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Free Yoga at the [Yoga Experience](https://www.theyogaexperience.com/) downtown
		- more info will be sent out by email
	+ FREE cosmic bowling with [Flagstaff PRIDE](https://www.facebook.com/events/528095100976736/) Wednesday October 17th @ 6 p.m.
	+ Thursday, November 8th, 5 to 7 p.m. at [Trailcrest](https://trailcrestbrewing.com/) Brewing Company by Target – commission social event
		- Last happy hour was not well attended because there were many other things happening at the same time, so it would be great to see everyone at the next event.
* **NAU Health Promotions**
	+ Not present
	+ Shared at last meeting:
		- Inclusion Health Day
			* Tuesday, October 16th 11 to 1 p.m.
			* Community and campus partners will be present
			* Flu shots
* **NAU Health Services**
	+ Discussed the process in name change and documentation changes with Registrar and Campus Health Services. If student has changed name legally, but is still on parent’s insurance and has not disclosed this to parents, may cause issues. IMQ and Campus Health Services and Counseling Services are discussing how best to proceed and what types of resources to include on a Trans Care Flier. Will update Commission and Campus Community as information becomes available.
* **Graduate Student Government**
	+ Out of travel funds
* **GradPride**
	+ Not present
* **Coconino County Public Health Services**
	+ No representative present
	+ Events shared at last meeting:
		- Wednesday, November 7th 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. STI testing at NAU Fieldhouse for $20
* **IMQ**
	+ Fliers were distributed for events.
	+ IMQ Heritage Month Series: This week is Coming Out Week!
	+ October 9th to October 12th Cultural Bites
		- Rainbow recipes: Out and Proud chefs
		- Hot Spot
			* Lunch: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
			* Dinner: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
		- Use meal plan or tickets for $8
			* All funds support the NAU Cares Scholarship
	+ Out and Proud Panel
		- Thursday October 11th 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
		- Du Bois Center, Aspen A
		- 7 panelists
	+ Victory in Unity Sports Day
		- Friday, October 12th 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. at University Union Fieldhouse
	+ Dragon Boat Festival
		- October 15th 8pm – 10pm @WAC
	+ M-Chat: Tokenism
		- 12 pm – 1:30 pm & 5pm – 6:30 pm @ Office of Inclusion (Union Kaibab)
	+ SAFEZONE 101
		- October 17th @ Union Havasupai C
	+ Have Your Say
		- October 17th 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. @ Office of Inclusion (Union Kaibab)
	+ Next week LGBTQIA mixer
		- Union Point (2nd floor)
		- Thursday October 18th, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
	+ Inclusion Zone
		- October 19th 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. @ Union Oak Creek
	+ Celbraciones de Gente
		- October 20th all day at Museum of Northern Arizona
	+ Safezone 101
		- October 23rd 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. @ Union Havasupai C
	+ Get Reel: Augie T
		- October 25th 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. @ Office of Incusion (Union Kaibab)
	+ Bi-support group info session
		- October 25th 5 – 6 p.m. @ Office of Inclusion (Union Kaibab)
	+ LGBT Night Out at the Ballet
		- Thursday, October 25, 2018 in Phoenix, AZ
		- Balletaz.org
	+ DreamZone
		- October 29th 11am – 1 p.m. @ Union Havasupai C
	+ Have Your Say
		- October 31st 1 – 3 p.m. at Office of Inclusion (Union Kaibab)
	+ Rain-Boo Halloween Party
		- October 31st 8 p.m. – 11 p.m. @ Union Fieldhouse
	+ Please e-mail Marian.Griffin@nau.edu or Ainan.Bauvas@nau.edu in IMQ for any fliers via e-mail.
* **Other**
	+ Discussion of faculty review process and LGBTQIA commission is not listed in the available commissions for gaining credit for service
* Adjourned at 1:30 p.m.
* **Upcoming Events:**
	+ October 14th and October 21st 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Free Yoga at the [Yoga Experience](https://www.theyogaexperience.com/) downtown, will be attending as a Commission, so please join if able to!
	+ FREE cosmic bowling with [Flagstaff PRIDE](https://www.facebook.com/events/528095100976736/) Wednesday October 17th @ 6 p.m. Great personal/professional networking event to meet our community outside of NAU.
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