

LGBTQIA Commission

Meeting Minutes 1/20/17

Attendance:

- [x] Hannah Janiec
- [x] April Peters
- [x] Jamie DeVlieger
- [x] Taylor Bailey
- [x] Dan Phillips
- [x] Melissa Griffin
- [x] Jack Nguyen
- [x] Irene Wise
- [x] Pamela Olsen
- [x] Julie Ryan
- [x] Carmen Phelps
- [x] Dee Wegwert
- [x] Emilly Borthwick-Wong
- [x] Lori Hare
- [x] Olivia Burross
- [x] Jo Ocas
- [x] Will Cordiero

Meeting started by Chair Hannah Janiec at 1:30pm.

Introductions

- 1.) **Campus Reports:** a. Health Promotion: i. There will be free gonorrhea and chlamydia testing throughout the Spring semester, located in Health Promotion from 2-4pm on: February 1st, February 15th, March 1st, and April 19th.
- ii. On April 5th from 10am-3pm in the Kaibab room of the Union there will be testing for chlamydia, gonorrhea, HIV, and syphilis (for a fee).
- iii. Paws Your Stress (relax with dogs, color mandalas, get Stressbusters back rubs, and more) is happening Wednesdays in the HLC from 4:30pm-6pm on January 25th, February 22nd, and March 29th.
- iv. Campus Connect is a 2 hour suicide prevention training that is available to student groups, staff, and faculty. Go to nau.edu/safejacks for more information, and learn how to sign up.
- v. Kognito is another available suicide prevention training that is online, and only takes 40 minutes to complete. Find more information at nau.edu/kognito
- vi. Recovery 101 is a 30-minute training that gives an overview on students in recovery from substance abuse disorders, and gives practical tips on how to
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— support their success. Go to <http://nau.edu/Health-Promotions/Don-t-Cancel-That-Class/> to request the training, or email nichole.meline@nau.edu

— vii. Please visit the Health Promotion calendar web page for upcoming events at <http://nau.edu/Health-Promotions/Event-Calendar/>

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— **b. Campus Medical Services:** i. There is an Aetna link on the Campus Medical Services website that has more information on insurance and information about transgender health care.

— ii. Medical Services is working on making campus health insurance extend over campus breaks, so that there will be no gap in coverage.

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— **c. Inclusion and Multicultural Services:** i. LGBTQA Spring Welcome will be on 1/25 in the Union.

— ii. Emails to recruit students that want to go to the Queering Arizona Leadership Conference should start going out next week.

— iii. If there are any suggestions or questions for IMS, please email either IMS or Emilly.

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2.) **Campus Medical Services: LGBTQIA Health Data PowerPoint, presented by Melissa Griffin:** a. AZIHE puts a survey every other year statewide to track health trends/issues in Arizona's student populace. The data presented at the Commission meeting was pulled from the AZIHE Spring 2016 survey of NAU. The survey went out to 4,000 students, with 649 students responding. Of those 649, 13% self-identified as part of the LGBTQ+ community.

— b. A couple of key points: i. Higher rates of LGBTQ+ students using tobacco products than non-LGBTQ+ students.

— ii. Higher rates of LGBTQ+ students using illicit drugs in the past 30 days than non-LGBTQ+, as well as using pain-killers at higher rates (in the past 12 months).

— iii. LGBTQ+ students experienced higher rates of intimate partner violence in the past school year than non-LGBTQ+ students.

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— c. What can we do? Current NAU programs and trainings: i. Collegiate Recovery Program

— ii. Campus Connect Suicide prevention training

— iii. Kognito training

— iv. Bystander Intervention Training

— v. Recovery 101

— vi. Sexual Assault Symposium (March 1st, 2017)

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3.) **Carmen Phelps Update:** a. Safe Zone training for faculty and staff through IMS will continue through the Spring semester, but thereafter will continue under the purview of the Center for University Access and Inclusion.

b. Commission members should be thinking of a possible date for a social/mixer for the LGBTQ+ faculty/staff/students of NAU, which will happen sometime this Spring semester.

4.) **LGBTQA Office Coordinator Position:** a. Chris Schlarb has left the IMS Program Coordinator Sr. position. The position will be posted soon, and the process will be open for the community to meet the candidates and have a voice in the process.

5.) **Goals for Spring 2017:** a. The current goals of the Commission could be printed on the agendas for the monthly meetings.

b. The Commission could push for more gender-neutral restrooms on campus.

c. Could the gender-neutral restroom map have more than just restrooms? Nap spots, healthy option areas, etc.? Could we collaborate with CDAD on this (perhaps add Sanctuary Zones)? Could it be all together on NAU's interactive map?

d. The Commission could keep pushing on getting sexual preference and gender identity on the admissions forms for NAU.

e. Pronouns and preferred names on class rosters.

— f. Can the Commission connect with current task forces on campus (such as the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Council, and others)? i. If you have any ideas for goals for the Commission, or for ways that the Commission can reach out to the campus community, please email LGBTQIA.Commission@nau.edu

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Meeting ended by Chair Hannah Janiec at 3:00pm.