Meeting Minutes Friday, April 15, 2016, 2:06-2:57pm


Introductions and Overview of the Commission

Campus Reports: LGBTQIA Resources & Support:

- Pride was a great success! Had about 200 people come. The great thing for this Pride is that people stayed the entire duration. $171 dollars raised from cupcake sales and karaoke for the Commission Scholarship Fund.

- Trans Pool Party- 7:30pm-10pm, April 16th. All gender inclusive, has a loose dress code.

- Q-chat on Monday (4/18)- if you know students that need to fill a diversity credit, let them know to come.

- Rainbow Convocation: have had 32 students sign up. 8 faculty/staff have RSVP’d. Getting some student speaker speech applications, currently figuring out who to schedule to speak at the event.

- There will be a meeting on April 22nd to talk about Rainbow Convocation.

Faculty/Staff:

- Symposium: happened on April 4th or 5th, lots of different stories on the panel. Yoleidy Rosario spoke along with Jamie Axelrod, Deb Harris, Darold Joseph, Daisy Purdy, Chris Lanterman, plus Arianne Burford and T. Mark Montoya facilitated.

- Possibly this July or a year later, NAU will be tobacco-free campus

Student Org Reps:

- Today is the Day of Silence, and also the Drag Me to the Polls Drag Show at the Orpheum Theater, 8pm. PRISM still seeking an advisor. GRL may have a potential advisor in mind.

Commission Reports: Matt:

- Diversity dinner: 4/27, please RSVP.

- CDO Search: position has been posted with job description, with a search committee picked – list of members was shared.

- Out and Proud: list has had some changes with old faces leaving and new faces coming in.

Marian:

- Hip Hop Week Speaker: 3rd year running. Week geared towards hip hop culture, with lessons to be learned. Hosting a poet from Philadelphia involved in LGBTQ+ work.

- Monday (4/18) Marian will be facilitating a workshop on “A more inclusive classroom.” Keeping it general/basic. It is at the Faculty Development Commons in Cline Library, 10:30am-11:30am.
- Tabling at Pride over the summer, Admissions is footing the bill. Will send out email to ask for volunteers - volunteers get into Pride free (happens June 25th).

Jamie:

- Scholarship fundraising: 1899’s dessert for the week of Pride was very successful - raised $317, and Casey Fisher has generously offered to match that amount, so that the donation amount will be $634. We are very grateful for this generosity, as it gets us close to the $9,000 mark for the scholarship fund. Also presented to the Sorority/Fraternity Councils recently - still waiting to hear back from them on whether they will donate, but received some positive feedback.

- All gender-neutral bathrooms that we currently know of are on the interactive map (except for the new Aquatic complex), as well as being on the Refuge website that Chris suggested.

Old Business:

- Joint Commission Letter: discussion last meeting on the letter that was going around jointly through the Commissions. Took suggestions and added sexual orientation and added vocabulary asking for change. Was sent to the President, waiting for response. New Business:

- Elections - Marian’s term is coming to a close, and Matthew’s ends in December. Looking for Vice-Chair, but also Chair if interested. Congrats to our new officers! Matt and Marian will be transitioning over info and responsibilities during the next few weeks. o New Chair: Hannah Janiec o New Vice-Chair: April Peters

Announcements:

- Next Commission Meeting: Stay tuned for a potential summer check-in, otherwise we’ll see you in the Fall! Meeting ended at 2:57pm.