# LGBTQIA Commission

**April Meeting Minutes**

04/26/2024

1:00-2:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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1. Meeting started at 1:05pm by Sean Parson
2. Acknowledgements
   1. Land Acknowledgement
   2. Acknowledgement of April Pride Month for NAU! No more events for Pride month, last event was Lavender Ball hosted by the office of Inclusion, last week, hope some were able to make it!
3. Introductions
   1. Commission Attendance: Jordan Jones, Bryan Bove, Castel Green, Hannah Elzer, Sean Parson, Chelsea Green, Nigel Jones, Megan McCoy, Cher Has No Horse, M. Lee Griffin, Ari Burford, Avi Callan, Irene Wise, DeAnn Wegwert, Felicia Fielder,
   2. CIEA Attendance: Jo Whitney, Anora Tillman, Justin Mallett
4. Announcements/ Solicitations
   1. Co-Chair Opening for next term
      1. Megan McCoy is volunteering to run for the position of faculty co-chair
         1. She discussed her roles in community service and equity-based work before coming to NAU. Currently an Asst. Professor is Social Work. Works with the Azalea project which is funded by SHERC.
      2. Motion made by Hannah Elzer to nominate Megan McCoy to the position of co-chair for a 2 year term starting at the end of Sean Parson’s term
         1. Seconded by Chelsea Green
         2. The majority voted in the affirmative, the motion passes and Megan McCoy will be the faculty co-chair for August 2024–May 2026.
   2. Commission name change check-in
      1. Discussed taking time to get advice and consent for including more identities in the Commission’s name
         1. Discussed input from the President’s office
         2. Discussed having a conversation with CoCom chair Kiara Weathersby about the way CIP changed their name from CAN and the processes and permissions they went through to officially update their name
5. February and March Meeting Minutes Approval Vote
   1. Motion to approve made by: Sean Parson
      1. Seconded by: Castel Green
      2. The majority voted in the affirmative, the motion passes and the February and March meeting minutes are approved.
      3. Abstentions: None
6. Review and revise Bylaws, Goals, Mission Update
   1. [Qualtrics survey](https://qualtrics.nau.edu/jfe/form/SV_9LyJSgce0IAbonc)
   2. Discussed need to get around 20 votes for quorum to be met.
   3. Both amendment votes have passed via Qualtrics and message based voting.
7. Scholarship Committee Check in
   1. Discussed trying to raise more money to get a larger number of scholarships to award. Discussed amount of work students complete and recognition of financial need.
   2. Discussed how to get further funds and limits on ways to spend allocated money from the commission fund.
8. Summer things
9. IMQ Check-in
   1. Discussion about Rainbow convocation
   2. Program planning for AY2024-25 begins in late May at IMQ
10. Community Announcements
    1. Hepatitis C and HIV testing event May 18th at the Flagstaff Family Foodbank
    2. Pride in the Pines, Saturday June 15 from 12pm-10pm
    3. May 13 book club meeting at the East Flag Library: An Unkindness of Ghosts might be the book
    4. Pride Bingo will likely be hosted at the library but may be an outreach event in the community on June 11 in the evening

