

UVic Pride Collective Minutes - November 5 2015

QUORUM MET (16 collective members and coordinators)

1. Acknowledgement of the Territories
 2. Safer Spaces Policy
 3. Round of Names/Pronouns/Check-in
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4. Updates

Safety Concerns

- Somebody has been coming by that has been very violent and still continues to email violent messages. They have been verbalizing a lot of hate speech. This person has been asked not to come back to the Centre. Security and the UVSS have been notified. The Pride Centre will be closed this week when no coordinators are available.
 - An angry and violent letter has also been slipped under our door. Unrelated to the above security concern.
 - Be safe out there
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5.) Halloween Dance Party & Serving it Right Certificate Reimbursement

- Serving it right certificate follow up. We had decided not to reimburse volunteers at our bar who had gotten this certification, deciding to revisit after we see how much we fundraised. We raised over \$2000! Do we want to cover it for 2 of the volunteers who got it for our event?

DISCUSSION

- Definitely. Since they got it just so they could help us at the bar at the event.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve reimbursement.
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6.) Activist Assembly

- Kenya came down to talk about the event. The UVSS is holding this event, offering workshops and speakers. November 28th, 9am and all day long. Harsha Wallia is the keynote. Drum group. Climate justice focus. Meeting this Friday to talk more about it. Bringing together campus community. They are looking for a self-care and movement building workshop. Anybody interested?

DISCUSSION

- No capacity at the moment. Anybody interested can contact Kenya.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- No Action
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7.) The Port

- Someone from The Port came by. They are a new organization in town, looking to link together some queer and trans organizations. They are trying to identify roles and resources in the community and supplementing any gaps. One thing they are thinking about is resources for parents of kids who come out. Maybe offer workshops. They've reached out into the community already. Asking to be kept in the loop with what we do. Maybe resource sharing. They are trying to be a centre for information. They might look for a physical space in the future. They are just in the process of fundraising. 5 core organizations, about 7 or 8 ppl involved. Website is theportyj.com

DISCUSSION

- Recommendations to link up with highschool GSAs
- Recommendations to link up with our practicum student

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- No Decisions. Add Andy to our listserve.
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8.) Womens' Centre

- Planning red umbrella rally, and are looking for support in terms of donations for silent auction and/or taking on coordinating certain roles, like safer spaces ppl etc. Also a presentation on a letter that SOCC sent them on their name change and a discussion of that letter.

DISCUSSION

- Collective members put names forward to volunteer at the rally.

- WC name change - discussion on adding non-binary and gender fluid into their mandate. UVic Pride mentioned in the SOCC letter. Opportunity for WC to branch out. Gender resource and outreach centre? Discussion on resources that might be offered and overlap with UVic Pride resources. Name and mandate change to womens centre wouldn't be to serve transmen? Clarifying WCs position and SOCCs letter.
- Confusion as to what the WC is bringing to Pride. Not consulting on name change yet. Clarifying SOCCs letter to the WC on the name change. Not asking anything.
- Table further discussion and decisions to next meeting

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- No Decisions. Table discussions to next meeting
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9.) Student Experience Panel

- Panel is next Two Tuesdays from now. We have an interested moderator - need panelists anybody interested? Need to approve honorariums.

DISCUSSION

- Michelle to moderate
- Selina, Tareem, Kat, Aaron, Lux interested in panel
- \$150 honorarium for moderator \$50 for panelists

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve those moderators/panelists and honorariums
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8.) Rest of Agenda

- Low on capacity - coordinator orientations are happening soon. Table rest of agenda to next meeting?

DISCUSSION

- Agree

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Table the rest of the agenda to the next meeting.
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Meeting Adjourned