

UVic Pride Collective Meeting Minutes - October 8, 2014

1. Acknowledgement of the Territories
 2. Safer Spaces Guidelines
 3. Round of Names
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4. **Announcements**

- Social Event is happening this Friday at 5th St Bar and Grill. Appies will be provided, drinking is optional. The venue is all ages.
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5. **WC Red Umbrella Rally Planning**

- We got an email from the WC who is looking to start the consultation process early, and asking us what we would like to see in terms of planning for the event.

DISCUSSION

- Maybe a conversation cafe?
- Maybe they could receive signage suggestions by email.
- No other Suggestions

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Contact WC with our suggestions
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5. **Donation Request of Queer Youth Fund**

- The collective received an application to the Queer Youth Fund for purchasing books. Information is sensitive - conversation and minutes are kept confidential and anonymized for the privacy of the folks that are making the request. Please ask coordinators for more information. The request is \$1000 for the purchase of queer and trans related books for a school in Williams Lake. The current problem is all of the classroom books are brought in by teachers, and as teachers leave the school, so do the text material. They want books relating to trans and queer themes and/or Indigenous themes (the classroom in question is 100% Indigenous students).

DISCUSSION

- Are they asking just us? I think so
- They could probably partner with Little Sisters Bookstore in Vancouver or other places to share resources. Maybe those other places will also make donations.

- Don't want to make just a donation, make sure they engage with us in how they use the funds and the books that they will end up purchasing. The collective wants to keep engaged in this process.
- Maybe we can send these notes along with the donation.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Approve \$1000 donation from Queer Youth Fund - send our notes of suggestions and wants out of the donation to the requester
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6. Discussion of Resources and Providing them for Free

- We should provide our resources for free instead of making them sliding scale like we currently have. The resources we provide barely make a dent in our budget. We make more donations than we spend on our resources.

DISCUSSION

- Maybe we can still have a free option with the resources but keep the sliding scale?
- Will donations fall into the emergency fund?
- Emergency fund conversation for another time - possibly proposed at AGM
- Do we have concerns with revenue? Not really
- Can we make them ourselves? That might be too dangerous
- Are there local options to purchase binders?
- Can we split the conversation into two things? The first being the resources for free and the second being what to do with donated monies?
- We should not talk about emergency fund until the AGM when a policy is proposed
- What about the free resources?
- Into it!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Pride will provide all resources for free and keep an option for donations
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7. Book Club Funding

- Book club needs monies! We want to have 2 meetings per month, and will be printing off sections of books/poems/whatever to keep accessible. But we need monies to do this!. Want a \$50 budget for the book club for October.

DISCUSSION

- Is this like a trial version or do you mean \$50 forever? No this is just for October to see how much we spend and then will come back later to have regular funding.
- Into it!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus on approving \$50 for October for Book Club.
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8. Grace Islet Donation

- We received an email from organizers asking for donations for Grace Islet. This is an Islet off of Saltspring Island, where a housing construction is currently going up. It is also an Indigenous burial ground, but construction is still going up. Legal things happening. Actions are taking place to halt the construction. Organizers are seeking donations to support communications and outreach, research into legislative and legal options, travel for elders and First Nations community members to Grace Islet and Victoria and hospitality for First nations visitors and supports in peaceful actions.

DISCUSSION

- We almost have an obligation to do this.
- We should, in addition to donating, share this on our email or facebook
- Post regularly on Facebook about protests and actions that are taking place
- I would like to propose \$1000 donation, I think our donations so far this year have been less than \$1000

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Collective consensus to donating \$1000 to Grace Islet Indiegogo campaign
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9. Margaret Cho Tickets

- We emailed and got two free tickets, which will be given to Daphne Shaed's radio show to give out. Do we want to buy more tickets to give out to collective members in a draw or something? We have a discount code to get cheaper tickets.

DISCUSSION

- We should buy some!
- But how would we decide on giving them out?
- We should keep the tickets as pairs so that folks who get them can bring a friend.
- Buy 4 tickets!
- Plan later

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Collective Consents to purchasing 4 of the best seated tickets and giving them out. Planning on how to give them out will happen at another time with coordinators, as long as the process is fair.

Meeting Adjourned