

UVic Pride Collective Meeting Minutes - April 9, 2015

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

1.) Recent Missing Equipment

- There have been things that have gone missing from our space recently. This includes the mac keyboard from the computer in our centre, our wireless mouse earlier this year, as well as our display outside the centre. Just letting the collective know so that if you have valuables in here that are not locked in the office, we cannot guarantee that they will be safe.

2.) Advocacy Council Update

- Condom order has arrived! The thing is it was a giant box, and border/import/duty fees were around \$120. We had no choice to pay.
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5. Trans Health Future Directions Conference Funding Request

- The Provincial Health Services Authority is hosting a mini conference on the future direction of trans health in the province. They have a committee set up with representatives around the province. This is a great opportunity for UVic Pride to attend and be able to have tangible influence on the direction of trans health in BC. Orillia (events and activism coordinator) and Daphne (trans rep) are requesting to go on behalf of UVic Pride.

DISCUSSION

- When is this? Saturday May 2, from 10am to 4:30pm. 9am checkin.
- What are you asking? For funding to arrive Friday evening and leave Saturday. So asking for transportation costs and a one night stay and per diems for food, etc. Around \$200 - \$260?
- The budget would come out of travel or donations. It should come out of travel as that's where we have budgeted a lot but not spent a lot this semester.
- Daphne and Orillia to send out a document for folks to fill out about experiences.
- Proposal for collective to fund up to \$400.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. \$400 to send Orillia and Daphne to the Trans Health Future Directions Sessions in Vancouver.
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6. Binder Order Approval

- We want to order the try ons for the new binder source. The rest of them. They are going to be giving us a discount code! Can we approve this? The amount will be around \$500.

DISCUSSION

- Yes! Resources are the biggest thing we provide in this collective (almost).
- Let's do ittttttt.
- No money left in the resources budget, but lots left from the travel budget, so can we approve from there?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve the rest of the binder orders from the travel budget line.
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7. Blurb of Binder Resource

- New Binder form. We need to edit and/or approve.

DISCUSSION

- Edits were noted on the forms and passed on the Ki for formal editing.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- No decision required. Ki will make the suggested edits.
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8. Outgoing Coordinator Gifts

- A new incoming coordinating committee, means an outgoing coordinating committee! We usually get gift cards as appreciation tokens for what these folks have given to the collective. In the past we have purchased \$50 gift cards for collective coordinators, and \$25 gift cards for everyone else. We have one outgoing collective coordinator, one outgoing qt2ipoc events organizer, one outgoing camosum rep, and one outgoing resource coordinator.

DISCUSSION

- Yeah these folks put so much work in and often for nothing.
- We need to show them some love!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve gift card purchases for outgoing coordinators.

9. Volunteer Appreciation Event

- We have budgeted \$500 for this in our budget. We need to plan somethingggg! How do we hold an appreciation event? And what kind of gifts do we get for volunteers? What even counts as volunteers? Because everyone in the collective contributes, but also we have those who went through volunteer training...

DISCUSSION

- Yeah this is a tricky space. What if we did a dinner for everyone in the collective as a thanks for those who didn't go through volunteer training, but have dedicated gifts for those who did commit the times to do volunteer training.
- But we don't want to set up a hierarchy of volunteers at the event though, and also it's not people's faults if they had time conflicts and weren't able to attend volunteer trainings.
- What if we gave out gifts discreetly, like a one-on-one basis with volunteers who underwent volunteer training, and then just had the public dinner with everyone invited. That way we thank everyone, but don't make it public that those who underwent volunteer training get something extra.
- I like this idea!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Spend all of the budgeted \$500 on the dinner and gifts for volunteers.
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10. UVSS AOP Training Issue

- UVSS is mandated by their own policy to go through aop trainings a few times a year. The current board has only completed one. The UVSS has brought on external facilitators, without consulting us (which they are supposed to by policy), to do the AOP training. The facilitators have contacted us and asked us what we want to do.

DISCUSSION

- The facilitators are all white. How are we supposed to be comfortable with a non-diverse facilitation team facilitating aop, let alone white supremacy culture etc?
- I don't think they should do it, as we were never consulted and we never got to choose the facilitators. We need to make sure they are accountable, they need to consult us.
- Two hours is not even enough to broach AOP.
- We've seen some pretty terrible things last year, like Mrs. Doubtfire etc. They really need the trainings and indepth.
- I think we should ask the facilitators to step back from the training and the UVSS to start over

- Let's also email ben and the chairperson.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Ask the facilitators to step back. Tri to connect with Ben and chairperson about what's going on.
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11. Dance Party Date Change

- The planning group has decided doing it on April 24th is too short notice. We might not get a liquor license in time. We want to propose a change to May 15th.

DISCUSSION

- Yes that's fine. Better for us to have a lot of time to plan out well.
- What about students who are graduating and leaving? They won't have the opportunity to go in May if they're not in town.
- Yes, but the 24th would have meant classes and exams are over by then anyway.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Move dance party to May 15.
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12. Dance Party Funding Increase

- Initially the collective had approved \$1750 for the dance party. This was \$150 each for the 3 bands we were approaching. One of the bands has responded back to us and is requesting \$300. Also what do we do about budget for booze?

DISCUSSION

- Seems reasonable if the bands have multiple performers.
- Do we do this for all bands?
- Yeah, if all bands have multiple performers, maybe we should increase to \$300 for everyone.
- For booze, we are selling it, so we will be recuperating the costs anyway. Let's not set a budget, and just buy and sell. Most likely we'll be making money on this anyway.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus, increase dance party funding to \$2300 to incorporate the increase in band costs.
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13. Social Dimensions of Health Conference, Collective Member Funding Request

- Collective member has been accepted to speak at the social dimensions of health conference. The title of the presentation will be “liquid medical care and tranny cyborgs”. The conference is charging presenters money. Asking that registration fee (around \$22) be covered by the collective.

DISCUSSION

- What? Why do they charge presenters? That’s weird
- I’m into it. It’s a pretty small amount anyway.
- Into it.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Collective approves registering.
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14. Policies tabled from last week (emergency fund and caucus)

- Checking in. what do we want to do?

DISCUSSION

- Send the document out over the listserve. A non editable one. If collective members want an editable copy, ask them to email us back.
- Table for next meeting.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Table for next meeting. Send that email out in the meantime.
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Meeting Adjourned