

UVic Pride Collective Meeting Minutes - May 14, 2015

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

- 1.) Candy Land Dance
 - 15th May 2015 @ Norway House (8pm-1am) !!! This week. So fun
 - 2.) PHSA Trans conference
 - Daphne and Orillia updated the collective on their experience at the conference.
 - 3.) SVAW update from Kat
 - They are cutting down consent workshops to look at marginalized identities. They will be creating a new consent workshop and will be touching base with everyone in the near future.
 - 4.) Daphne is working with a film maker who just got a recent grant to do a movie about tranny cyborgs! More to come about this initiative as it happens.
 - 5.) Office coordinator's last day of work is May 26th. Collective will not have one until they rehire. Orillia is still events and activism coordinator.
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5. Research Project

- Forwarded from SOCC members, a request has come in regarding a research project on marginalized and oppressed groups' experiences. A couple of collective members are feeling weird about it, do we want to do anything?

DISCUSSION

- Could cause harm, triggered by the questions in the survey
- draft something in response?
- maybe email the professor?
- Moussa is involved, not as the principle investigator, but he is involved. This is not an EQHR thing though.
- Move forward with a letter, go to individual emails?
- Maybe we should focus particularly on the ethics board?
- Send the working document to the listserve and weekly email so that the collective can have input on the letter.

- We won't have a meeting next week though - so we can take the letter as approved by the collective if we approve it now and if no negative feedback comes from the collective when we send it out.
- Make sure to send out a disclaimer about the survey questions

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Pide to write the letter. Cass, Kat, Meris, Tri and Ori are interested in being in the letter writing.
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6. Binder Zine

- The binder zine has been completed. Passed around for feedback.

DISCUSSION

- No discussion.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- No decisions. Zine looks good.
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7. Safer Spaces Discussion

- Draft something to address concerns? There are some concerns about the safer spaces policy being heavy on the removal aspect of the collective. We also want to look at the safer spaces policy for physical spaces.

DISCUSSION

- There are two safer spaces policies. One that is internal, meant for conflict resolution and the such, and the second one pertains to physical spaces.
- Form a committee to review policy?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Safer Spaces Committee to start meeting and assess the policies.
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8. Combine Events and Activism Committee with Collective Meeting

- Last summer we combined the two meetings into one meeting to save time, since there aren't a lot of students here in the summer. How do we feel about doing this again?

DISCUSSION

- Makes sense!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Combine the two meetings for the summer.
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9. Pride Video Working Group

- Safer sex video!!! Brainstorm time

DISCUSSION

- Anatomical videos.
- How to use the supplies, for different bodies.
- Take names and see what people can offer?
- How to put on for someone else!
- Cassandra will manage this.
- Working group for now?
- Let's make lots of videos!!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus, set up working group facilitated by cassandra.
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10. AOP Working Group for the UVSS

- The director of student affairs for the UVSS wants to set up an aop working group to consult with advocacy groups about the aop trainings that the uvss board is supposed to go through. how do we feel about this?

DISCUSSION

- Feels good.
- Feels like good consultation if the groups have capacity to meet with each other

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Pride is into this idea. Contact Kaylee for meeting times once it is all set up.
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11. Workstudy Positions

- Workstudy proposals for UVic Pride for 2015-2016 were passed around. We are proposing the same positions as last year (a resource coordinator and a qt2ipoc event organizer). Small minor changes, including the title of the resource coordinator are proposed.

DISCUSSION

- Worried about union pulling positions if they are deemed unionizable.
- Changes feel good. What do we want to change the names to?
- Resource person? Resource facilitator? Resource organizer?
- Through a vote, resource organizer was chosen as the new name.
- How about top up?
- Last year we did \$4 top up to \$15/hr wage.
- This feels good. In line with what other groups are doing, also well above most other groups.
- It's a basic living wage, so we should do it, it will only cost us \$1200 to fund both.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve suggestions for workstudy proposals and a top up of \$4
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12. Wayfinder Signs

- Making new wayfinder signs for the SUB. What do we want to be called ourselves?

DISCUSSION

- Stick with UVic Pride. That's how people know us already.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Stick with UVic Pride.
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13. Anarchist Bookfair

- Do we want a table at the anarchist bookfair? Do we have events we want advertised as part of their festival in September?

DISCUSSION

- It's sometimes a shitty place. I've had lots of weird racist interactions there.
- Well, are we sure we want to do this then, maybe we should consider the safety of collective members?
- It's an ok thing, and it's a good way to get ourselves out into this community, don't want to block this work because of my own bad experiences. Still think it can be good.
- Anti-O issues and our policies maybe don't really fit this.
- We should acknowledge the shitty environment to whoever ends up tabling for us.
- If people want to go and hold ground, that would be fine I think.
- I personally don't want to go, but don't want to block those who go.
- Daphne wants to do a workshop for them again.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Pride will request a table. Also offer a workshop from Daphne. Make sure volunteers who table for us know what they're getting into.
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14. Interim Board Rep

- Cal, our board rep is up north for the summer indefinitely, we need to find someone for the interim. Is anybody interested?

DISCUSSION

- Maybe we should do a large call out?
- Anna is already the WC's board rep. We could ask Anna to keep a heads up for us about what's going on.
- We can't elect Anna though. Anna can't be our rep because Anna is the WC rep.
- We just won't have anybody until we can find someone, and can ask Anna to keep us in the loop

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Keep looking for a board rep.
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15. Queer Abilities Workshop

- Is May 28th @ 3m - 5pm ok?

DISCUSSION

- Sounds great!
- Jonathan from AVI is doing this?
- Do we want food?
- How about \$50 for food for the workshop?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. \$50 for food for the workshop and May 28th is a good day.
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16. Coffee House Cancellations

- These have been low attendance. Expensive. Coordinators don't like doing it. Can we cancel it?

DISCUSSION

- Attendance is too low, not worth it.

- Ending it's reoccurrence, but maybe we can still have one off ones once in a while. I like that it's an off campus event that we do.
- Let's replace it with something?
- Maybe still run it once a semester?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Cancel the event. E&A to look into a replacement type event.
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Meeting Adjourned