

UVic Pride Collective Minutes - June 12 2015

1. Acknowledgement of the Territories
 2. Safer Spaces Guidelines
 3. Round of Names
 4. What is a collective and how does it work?
 - New thing we're trying - explaining how collectives operate and how collective meetings are generally run
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5. Updates

1. Queer Youth Drop In Space
 - The drop-in space is going ahead. Pairing up with Saanich Parks and Rec, they're offering space and resources. They also have a kitchen space and will pretty much be doing all the organization of the drop-in space and consulting us on how we want it to look like.
 2. New library books are in!
 3. Sexual Violence Awareness Week Committee Update
 - Kat (rep on the committee) is on the sub-committee to revamp the consent training to include marginalized IDs
 - there is going to be a bystander intervention workshop
 - a train the trainer workshop
 - there will be an outreach campaign
 4. Camosun Pride Rep Update
 - Rep has met with Travis, the director of camosun Pride
 - Have started talks on collaborating on workshops and to get connected with harm reduction initiatives.
 5. Harm Reduction Update
 - expansion of harm reduction resources
 - we have been in contact with other advocacy groups to collab on what harm reduction means and what we can do together to expand the initiative to include all advocacy groups
 - in the process of getting representatives from each group to sit on a committee together
 6. Office Coordinator has been hired. It is Tri again, contracted for another year.
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6. VIPIRG

- Some facebook posts have been really trans exclusionary and toxic. The feminist action working group (a working group of VIPIRG) has been posting on facebook and at their events. They have been addressed, but their ppl are still posting stuff on facebook. What do we do?

DISCUSSION

- Should we write a letter to them?
- What's our process?
- Write letter as a collective?
- Yah, who wants to write it?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus - collective to write a letter to VIPIRG. Those who are interested in writing the letter to come back at noon today to write. Letter will be released by Monday.
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7. Binders & Tent at Altpride

- We have been asked to provide our resources at Alt Pride.

DISCUSSION

- Let's do it!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Pride to attend altpride and provide resources.
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8. Retreat Plans

- Proposed retreat plans - August 28th, 29th, 30th at Jeanne S. Simpsons Field Research Facility on Lake Cowichan. Schedule, workshops, and food plan presented.

DISCUSSION

- Looking good!

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus to approve current retreat plans.
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9. Yes2SCS (Yes 2 safer consumption sites)

- They want us to write a letter of support

DISCUSSION

- Do we know anything about their group politics? Do they hold politics we can support?
- They're a good group, been active for several years now. Not an organization that is trying to preach, helping people help themselves, not trying to funnel people in programs.
- How can we support?
- Write a letter and put our logo on their website.
- Maybe ask for one presentation?
- For all advocacy groups?

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus - to write letter of support and give our logo for putting on their website
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8. Queer Music Festival

- Planning will be done in the community, not in Pride. Asking Pride to support the organizing process by providing people and resources. Event is not planned to be a UVic Pride event, current organizers feel like it will be more accessible to community members as a non-Pride event, though asking that Pride be integral in planning and organizing.

DISCUSSION

- What will this look like?
- Mainly pride providing resources and people power to organize. It'll be planned with Pride people and resources, just like any other pride event, just not billed as Pride event.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Approve support.
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9. Zine

- A pride zine! Like a literary zine. Does the collective wanna do one?

DISCUSSION

- Been thinking and visioning this a lot.
- Maybe like a literary artsy zine, kinda like what SOCC and the WC already do?
- Dylan wants to coordinate.

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Let's make a Zine. Dylan to coordinate.
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10. Board Rep

- Cal, our current board rep, is away for at least the summer. We need to elect an interim board rep. Anybody?

DISCUSSION

- Nomination for Orillia

ACTION/MOTION/DECISION

- Consensus. Elect Orillia as interim board rep.
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11. E&A Committee Meeting

- Vic Pride Planning
 - June Art Workshops
 - Ask Meris to do a bathbomb workshop
 - Approved \$150 facilitator payment and \$100 for materials
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Meeting Adjourned