

UVic Pride Collective Meeting Agenda - June 23rd 2016

QUORUM: 9 coordinators and collective members

1. Acknowledgement of the Territories
 2. Safer Spaces Policy
 3. Round of Names/Pronouns/Check-in
 4. How Does a Collective Work
 5. Updates
 - a. Staff Change/New Hire Update - *Lux is the new office coordinator*
 - b. Fundraising Committee Pamphlet Brainstorming - *contact Hannah to get involved*
 - c. UVSS Events Accessibility Checklist - *ongoing process, contact Tareem for more information*
 - d. Campus Gardens Plot - Leftover Equipment - *leftovers are free to be picked up from the garden plot*
 - e. Commonwealth Drop-in Check-in and Update - *youth drop-in will continue over summer, may need to fill new position on advising committee if anyone is concerned with conflict of interest over Lux being on the advising committee and also working for the drop-in*
 - f. Square Payments - *we can now use Square to accept digital payments using phones or iPads*
 - g. **Paparazzi White Party contact (added to agenda during meeting)** - *a reporter gave us their contact info so anyone can speak to him about Paparazzi's White Party and the fallout surrounding it*
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6.) Adoption of Minutes (June 9th 2016)

- *Clarify consensus on dildo ring toss*
 - *#17 change spelling of bus tickets*
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7.) Ideaboard

- *No new ideas to discuss*
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8.) Working Group Proposal - Collective Engagement and Accountability

- Proposal for mandatory/"highly encouraged" AOP and collective engagement/responsibility training for ALL members of the collective, not just those who regularly attend meetings and events

- Address consistent problematic/unsafe behaviours as well as educate everyone about their roles, responsibilities and what's possible for them to do in the space and allows us to reach individuals who spend lots of time in the space but choose not to attend meetings or events

Lux will form a working group to work on this proposed new policy in the next two weeks. Get in contact with her if you would like to be involved

9.) Venue Charges for Community Share

- UVic Pride will be hosting a community share in conjunction with Alt Pride at the Fernwood Community Center on July 16th from 12-4:30, but the space will be booked from 11 to 5 to allow for set up and takedown

- The center charges \$30/hour at 6 hours needed for the event, bringing the total cost to \$180

- There is currently \$550 in the events and activism budget, so the charge will bring this amount to \$370

- VOTE: Approved, we will make the full donation of \$180

10.) Resource Approvals

- Gaffs, razors, shaving cream, makeup, harnesses

- The transfeminine accountability working group met and decided to review resources that have been requested in the past but not provided

- Discussion about whether or not to allow people to donate used makeup with informed consent for people that access it - inconclusive

- VOTE: Approved, Ashe will come to the next meeting with strategies for securing these resources

11.) Transfeminine Inclusion Working Group

- Met for the first time last week after being formed in March

- Ashe will set up a doodle poll to schedule another meeting, as the letter is not finished

12.) Sexualized Violence Awareness Week Speaker Input

- AVP is seeking feedback for a speaker named Farrah Khan that they would like to bring in for Sexualized Violence Awareness week in September. If you have feedback or concerns about this choice for a speaker, feel free to contact AVP

13.) Sexualized Violence Policy Feedback

- 2 phases of consultation for viewing and recommending changes to UVic's Policy and Procedures
 - The first phase of consultation is already under way. They are open to meeting in person or reading feedback written in response to certain questions they have provided
 - There was a request to see if collective members in general are invited to respond, or if they are seeking one, cohesive response on behalf of Pride
 - A way around this might be to have a google doc that any pride member could edit
 - Tareem will ask if we can make this opportunity widely available to all of our members, or if they are seeking just one response on behalf of the collective. If possible, we will advertise this to our members and facilitate them setting up their own personal feedback opportunities, but if not, we will send one, group-written letter on behalf of Pride involving as many interested members as possible
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14.) Thirdspace Meeting Check-in/Discussion

- Thirdspace is seeking recommendations for facilitators for the next meeting to continue discussing Thirdspace's closure and planning moving forward. The meeting is not yet scheduled.
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15.) Wikipedia Project Proposal

- A collective member is interested in writing Wikipedia articles for all of the Trans Archive content that is not currently available on Wikipedia
 - The collective member was not present to speak on the project today. We will consult with them later.
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16.) Response to Victoria Pride Society Concerns (added to agenda during the meeting)

- The collective was contacted by a community member with concerns about cissexist, gender-essentializing comments made by one of the organizers of the Victoria Pride Society, including public posts on the VPS Facebook page and at supposedly inclusive Pride events
- VOTE: Due to the transmisogynistic and racist nature of these comments, and of the VPS and affiliates' recent actions, we have asked the Transfeminine Inclusion working group to come up with a comprehensive response to the VPS in general, as well as a more short-term response to the specifically attached Facebook comment as soon as possible. APPROVED.