



Tuesday September 29, 2015
12:00 – 1:30pm
2750 University Hall

MEETING NOTES

1. Introductions
2. Recap of CSC Co-Chairs Meeting with VPD
3. Gender-Inclusive/Gender-Neutral Campus Restrooms
 - Need to implement better signage, better advertising, including interactive campus maps, websites, etc.
 - Help implement changes on campus, including construction of new restrooms
 - Contact college diversity officers and diversity committees on procedures
 - Social policy class has taken up issue of gender inclusive restrooms on campus as class project on campus policy
 - School of Nursing model example: can those working on this issue connect with people there to see how they were able to streamline the process?
 - Implementation at other universities, national data, safety arguments?
4. Scholarships
 - The committee received a very low number of applicants for the scholarship. Only one graduate applicant and six undergraduates (none qualified). The committee will award the graduate applicant.
 - Need to do a better job advertising the scholarships.
 - Can they be given out in the spring so there is more time to recruit?
 - There are SNAP site issues – contact SSP for help with this
 - Can we advertise to solicit donations for the scholarship through the gift fund?
5. Gender Affirming Procedures (GAP) Advocates Program Update
 - GAP used funding from CSC last year to pay Broadway Youth Center and Illinois Caucus for Adolescent Health to train advocates. Training will occur in late November.
 - GAP is actively recruiting advocates and students in need of an advocate – flyers distributed to various listservs, roughly 6-8 in first session.
 - Medical, Nursing, and Social work students may be interested in undergoing training
6. New Programming Opportunity: Students Experiencing Housing Instability
 - Need to form subcommittee to work on programming related to this. The GSC will be putting out flyers advertising what resources are available on campus for students experiencing housing instability. There is a summit being hosted at UIC in April as part of the Tiny Homes Movement. What can we do in between?



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Queer People, and Allies**

- Partnership opportunities here with other CSCs and Cultural Centers.
 - Campus Advocacy Network has system with external hotels and on campus space for people need 1-2 nights- look into this. Partner with CAN?
7. Lavender Research Forum
- The Disability Studies Student Council is interested in partnering with the LRF to highlight intersectional work on gender, disability, and sexuality. The council organizes an annual, two-day research forum; perhaps we could partner for one of those days.
 - We funded two Muslim students to attend a retreat in the summer, co-sponsored by other CSCs. Establish a workshop or panel discussion on how gender and sexuality relate to religion, race, ethnicity, women, and disabilities, and visa versa.
8. Web Presence/Social Media
- Bernie now has access to listserv and will be updating.
 - We need to update the website to include what we're currently working on and develop a social media presence (this will engage more undergrads). Anyone interested?
9. Council/Committee Updates
10. Announcements
11. New Meetings Dates
- Bernie will send out Doodle poll to schedule three more meetings this semester: move to Fridays. Will try to have a phone support available.
12. New Business
- Committee members should decide to work on items of interest, and create a set of action items

Present: Karen Bernstein, Megan Carney, Franchesca Cristofa, Evelyn Figueroa, Monica Gerhardt, David O'Keeffe, Kurt Stevens, Liz Thomson, Steve Whitley, Adrienne Williams, Michelle Manno and Bernie Santarsiero (Co-Chairs)