

PRIDE Committee Report
4, October 2014

Co-Chairs: Dena Samuels (LAS) & Emilie Vrbancic (Library)
Secretary: Heather Kling (OVMSA)
Treasurer: Ralph Giese (Residence Life and Housing)

The PRIDE committee met for the first time on Friday October 4th.

1) Dena Samuels and Emilie Vrbancic volunteered to co-chair PRIDE committee for the 2014-15 academic year. Heather Kling volunteered as Secretary and Ralph Giese volunteered as Treasurer.

2) Monthly meetings will be on the 2nd Friday of each month at 2:00 pm.

3) The PRIDE committee has planned the first event of the year which will be a Pizza dinner with SPECTRUM and Respect on Campus (RoC) students on October 21st. The goal of this event is to introduce students to faculty and staff Allies and to offer support from the various departments and offices around campus. This event coincides with the LGBT Resource Center's OUTober events celebrating LGBT History Month.

4) Vanessa Delgado (LGBT Resource Center) and Ethan Wade (student representative, RoC) presented on the current status of gender neutral restrooms and signage around campus. The committee hopes to support the goal of standardizing inclusive gender neutral restrooms signage in all campus buildings. Vanessa and Ethan will report back at the next meeting on any progress.

5) The next meeting will be on Friday October 31st at 2:00 pm. The meeting will focus on revising the committee's mission and goals as well as planning future events for the 2014-15 academic year.