

University of Colorado Colorado Springs
PRIDE Committee
Report to Faculty Assembly April 2016

Meeting held April 20th, 2016

Attending Members: Emilie Vrbancic, Alex Illyasova, Ashley Anderson, Dena Samuels, Melissa Benton, Heather Kling

Agenda

1. Announcements
 - a. Emilie and Dena have served their two years as Co-Chairs of Pride. We will be working on finding new chairs before the end of the semester.
 - b. Emilie is leaving UCCS and taking up a new position at the University of Washington Libraries.
 - c. The first Just Talk event will be on April 28th. To register for the event visit:
<http://libcal.uccs.edu/event/2527744>
2. GLBTI Report (from Alex Illyasova)
 - a. The committee has finalized their name change. They will now be the LGBTQ+ Faculty Council Committee
 - b. The CU System is sponsoring Denver Pride! Anyone interested in going to represent UCCS should contact Dena Samuels or Alex Illyasova for more details. Denver Pride will be June 18th & 19th (Parade Day).
 - c. The committee will be bringing a motion to the Regents to approve voluntary reporting of gender identity and sexual orientation for new employees through the HR system.
 - i. There will be more discussion on the exact wording of questions, who will have access to the data, how it will be stored, and how it will be used.
3. Committee Membership
 - a. Emilie will be sending out individual emails about membership for College Representatives to Pride. If you know of anyone in Education, SPA, or LAS that is interested in serving as a representative, please encourage them to contact either Emilie or Dena.
4. Year in Review
 - a. This academic year has resulted in some exciting changes on campus. Thanks to all everyone who was involved including Pride, LGBTRC/MOSAIC, Housing, Wellness & Health Centers, Spectrum, Admissions/Records, and Office for Diversity and Inclusiveness!
 - i. Gender Neutral restroom in University Center
 - ii. Gender Neutral housing for upperclassmen
 - iii. Streamlined name change policy for students (in online system)
 - iv. Transgender Awareness & Education
 1. Whose Classroom/Campus Is It? Workshops & Discussions
 2. Lourdes Ashley Hunter Presentation
 - v. Pride Committee Happy Hours
 - vi. Pride Committee/Spectrum Meet & Greet