

Pride Committee Report February 2015

PRIDE Committee Meeting-12 February 2015

Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm by Co-chair Dena Samuels.

Members present:

Co-chair Emilie Vrbancic
Co-chair Dena Samuels
Secretary Heather Kling
Nancy Hoist
Vanessa Delgado
Dionisia DeLaCerde

Members not present:

Treasurer Ralph Giese

Business

1. Announcements & Reports
 - a. *Dear White People* film to be shown on February 17th at 7:00 pm in UC 302; Vanessa asked that classes be encouraged to attend; International Cook Off February 24th, 2015 at 6 pm in Berger Hall (**Rescheduled**); Vagina Monologues March 14th, 2015 at 7 pm and March 15th, 2015 at 2 pm in Berger Hall; Drag Show in April, date, time and location to be announced.
 - b. Report from Vanessa on gender neutral signage
 - i. Still in talks with Leadership Team to obtain one sign for all gender neutral restrooms on campus.
 - c. Transgender health procedures now covered for faculty and staff, not students at this time; CU Boulder health plan does include coverage for students. Nancy volunteered to check with Student Government Association to see if they can take up the issue for students.
2. Discussion of status of Pride Center Closure
 - a. The Pride Center in Colorado Springs closed after almost 40 years of service to the Colorado Springs Community.
 - b. Dionisia attempted dialogue with group Queer Collective in regards to research on viability of new Pride Center however communication between her and the group has stopped.
 - c. Vanessa met with representative from group Queer Collective. Contact will be made with representatives from Urban Peak and Inside Out.
3. PRIDE Funding Support of campus events

- a. Harvey Milk event with Men's Gay Chorus on May 2nd, 2015 at First United Methodist Church at Nevada Ave.
 - b. Joy Harjo Poetry Reading event on March 10th, 2015 from 6-8:30 pm at the library (**cancelled with possible rescheduled time**).
4. PRIDE Committee members were contacted by the GLBTI Faculty Council Committee about the possibility of hosting the GLBTI Annual Symposium at UCCS in November. Emilie and Dena will be investigating if there is support on campus to hold such an event.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.