Minutes: Lambda GBM #1

9/14/2010

Start- 9:10pm

1. Attendance- (2 minutes)

All groups accounted for

2. Ice Breaker- (20 minutes)

If you were in a zombie apocalypse, what is your unconventional weapon and what two people (not your family or friends) would you bring?

Highlights- Buffy the Zampire Slayer, Sarah Palin (Sacrifice), Lady GaGa, Hillary Clinton, Justin Beiber, Xena, Real Housewives of New Jersey

Unconventional weapon- invisibility cloak, chemicals

3. Group Introductions-

Bob- LGBT Center

working on a grid confronting the LGBT community, and designate a point person or group to advance the “gay agenda”

Current national search to replace Ninah Harris

Center has a new website, a new logo, and new buttons

A great amount of work done with undergraduate admissions in conjunction with Lambda Alliance- increase our outreach to ED and regular admission applicants

Bob focusing on development and developing the endowment (events to come- Southern California, Florida)

Sunday! Newsweek magazine named UPenn #1 School for LGBT students

J-Bagel- LGBTQAI Jewish organization on campus

Event 5pm at Hillel

Trying to get Dana Goldberg

PATH- focused on sports and athletics (The last frontier)

QCF- dinners Tuesday about once a month, an outlet to marry Christianity and Gayness

QSA- oldest and largest queer group on campus

Hub for everyone

GBM once a month, September 22nd

Dance held every month (September 24th)

XO lounge

Outreach to mainline youth alliance, advocacy campaigns, once a month questioning event

Wharton Alliance- Penn’s LGBT pre-professional group

Primarily education- being LGBT can be an asset

Many social events, some geared towards specific business organizations

Provides career opportunity options

QUEST- building a community within the Sciences and Technology

Social events, fundraisers, speakers

Meeting in the next week or two

QPenn- weeklong event coordinating events from each constituency group

Last year- speed dating, pride games, speaker

5 positions open- elections, September 28

Treasurer (fundraising)

Publicity (flyer, banner)

Supplement Co-chairs (16-20 page insert: student written and produced) in the DP

Secretary

CONTACT PATRICK OR QUINTIN

CEC- community engagement committee

Any active member in the LGBT community

Raise discourse on equality issues

Go out to the community, work on campaigns

Brings equality issues back to campus

Meeting 5pm in the Center, next week

QPOC- address gender, race, sexuality

Discussion based (open communication about issues)

Part of UMC- dual membership

Meetings- Tuesdays 7pm

IvyQ- February 2010, first ivy league LGBT conference on UPenn’s campus

Annual event

Conference- February 2011, Colombia University

Each school has its own community to organize and plan for a seamless and organized conference (7 board members- would like more)

PUSH- Adddress LGBT issues in the health community

Healthcare and Sexuality Lecture Series

First lecture on Wed. 15 Sept – “Straight Talk on Gay issues”

Change the way LGBT issues are taught in the Nursing School

4. What we have been working on this summer and what goals are for this semester

Corinne-

Athletics- combine LGBT and athletic community in any ways we can (administrative focus)

Start a diversity training program for Athletics (coaches, captains)

Speaking to SAAC to implement formally or informally, if not- Penn athletics requirement

Football games broadcast on conservative Christian news stations

More effective diversity training for coaches (not even head coaches)

Julia-

Communications- Updating website and fixing listserves

Jason-

Reforming gender neutral housing. Working with several partner administrations for bathrooms and housing

Political Updates

Justin-

Finance and Development- brainstorming ways to increase funds

Increased funding for QPenn through the UA

Tyler-

Constitutional improvements (no huge changes but elections next GBM, September 28)

New position for outreach and admissions work

Next Lambda GBM- Invite Students interested in Allies organization

5. Updates and Open Forum

Announcements-

1. groups who submit requests should select newsletter and calandar
2. signed permission from people in pictures
3. meeting in the center? Try to reserve it on the Centers website
4. September 23rd- center’s open house 4-6pm
   1. Help
   2. Eat
   3. Enjoy!
5. volunteer opportunities- Indigo Ball (help, set up, work the event, break down the event)
6. university is looking for an arts ambassador- one person from each community (Fall 2010 semester)- arrange an art fair, liaison between lgbt world and arts world (2-3meetings/year)

(Ask Thad)

1. HRC is coming next week! Encouraging young youth involvement
2. University’s “Year of Water”
   1. Service Project- Penn’s River rescue (going to the river and cleaning up trash)
   2. Prizes
   3. If you go you can go to thank you event on Friday
   4. Around 3 hours on Tuesday

Group Updates-

QUEST- event with representative from J&J (date TBA, contact Kelsey Hall)

Wharton Alliance- Thursday, GBM #1

Huntsman 345

Family Weekend- October 15-17

Graduates are having an open house and panel discussion

J-Bagel- J-Bagel’s and Lox- Thursday, September 16

QPOC- working for a same sex dance social

Be on the lookout!

FIND VICTOR GALLI ON FACEBOOK!

Questioning Events- anonymous