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