

**SSW GSO Steering Meeting**  
**March 30, 2017**  
**Undergrad Building – 126**

**Members Present: Student Organization Officers / Representatives**

**Milagros Marrero-Johnson** - Director of Student and Academic Services / GSO Advisor

**Jasmine Rosado**- Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair, Educational Policy Committee Rep., POPR Concentration Committee Co-Chair

**Savitri Horrigan** - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair, Just Community Rep

**Eleanor Muirhead** - Graduate Student Organization Treasurer

**Cassandra Marrero** - Graduate Student Organization Secretary

**Erica Crowley** – Community Organization Concentration Committee Co-Chair

**Allyce Pace**- Organization of Black Social Workers Co-Chair

**Gus Marks-Hamilton**- Students Against Mass Incarceration Co-Chair

**Amy Schumaker**- Educational Policy Committee

**Lady Mendoza**- Policy Practice Co-Chair (arrived after approval of minutes and expenditure requests)

**Aliyah Henry**- Student

**Naomi Reid**- Student

**Nelson Veras**- Student

**Call to Order:**

- I. Meeting was called to order on March 30, 2017 by Savitri at 5:39 pm
- II. Icebreaker
- III. Discussion: Rallies/Bills/Marches
  - a. Atilana mentioned the 669 youth conversion therapy bill
  - b. Eleanor mentioned there's going to be a rally to support trans youth at supreme court on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - c. Savitri mentioned participation on human trafficking event
- IV. Approval of February Steering Meeting minutes
  - a. Amy motion to approve
  - b. Jasmine seconded the motion
  - c. 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention
- V. Approval of Expenditure Requests
  - a. Jasmine motion to approve
  - b. Gus seconded the motion
  - c. 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention
- VI. Open discussion:
  - a. Went over events/giveaways
    - i. Erica said the Reproductive Justice Event had a good turn out

- ii. Group work held a bowling outing and it had a good turn out
- iii. GSO had a couple giveaways this month (food and coffee cups) and they were a good turn out
- iv. Savitri mentioned she reached out to professors so they can bring their class to the indigenous event. Overall it was a good turn out.

## VII. GSO Co-Chair Discussion

- a. Lockers need to be cleaned out by Friday, March 31st
- b. Vote was taken to update the Treasurer and Secretary as follows beginning Summer 2017
  - i. Treasurer: 8 hrs/month at \$10.71/hr.
  - ii. Secretary: 6 hrs/month at \$10.71/hr.
- c. Approval of Treasurer and Secretary compensation
  - i. Allyce motion to approve
  - ii. Jasmine seconded the motion
  - iii. 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention
- d. New leader recruitment
  - i. April 22nd incoming student orientation
  - ii. Discussed a few strategies to recruit new students
  - iii. Discussed number of organizations that need to be filled
  - iv. Discussed possibility of combining groups: Combining casework and group work into a micro track
  - v. Will brainstorm ideas in the next meeting
- e. End of the year events
  - i. Giveaways
  - ii. Dinner for students
    - 1. Dates TBD
  - iii. End of the Year Party
    - 1. City Steam
    - 2. April 28<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm
  - iv. Comedy Club night in City Steam for GSO leaders or future leaders
    - 1. Friday April 21<sup>st</sup>
- f. Mini Focus group with Tyler Terbrusch from UConn to discuss food choices. Info will be provided to Billings Forge.

- i. Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at noon
- ii. Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
- g. Milagros Discussion
  - i. Discussed move to Downtown Hartford:
    - 1. New building space, offices, classrooms, etc.

VIII. Sub Organizations/Committees updates & announcements

- a. Lady- PO: “Ice cream for a dream” event
  - i. Tell the guy your dream and he gives you free ice cream
- b. Amy- EPC: Faculty going to vote on field hours
  - i. Possibility for 3-5 hours a month

IX. Next meeting: Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-7pm

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

**Signatures:**

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 Cassandra Marrero  
 GSO Secretary

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 Date

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 Milagros Marrero-Johnson  
 GSO Advisor

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 Date