

Minutes November 13, 2018

GSO Steering Committee

1:30-2:30

HTB Room 216

Members Present:

Bree'Ana Johnson- GSO Co-Chair

Laura Salerni- GSO Co-Chair arrived at 1:35pm

Ciara Velazquez- GSO Secretary

Sarah Dottor- PRIDE Co-Chair

Krystina Jackson- OBSWS Co-Chair

Shamika Smith- OBSWS Co-Chair

Johana Schubert- Just Community- Student Representative

Natalie O'Connor- OSAS staff

Elizabeth Halla-Mattingly- Administration Chair arrived at 1:34pm

Erika Mott- Educational Policy Committee, Student Representative

Aliyah Henry- SAMI, Chair

- I. Meeting called to order** at 1:37pm
- II. Quick Discussion on Next Semester Meeting Dates**
 - a. Bree'Ana discussed meeting dates for the following semester
 - b. GSO chairs have decided to continue the meetings on Tuesday's from 1:30-2:30 p.m.
 - c. All the committees present at this meeting agreed with the time/day to remain the same
 - d. Bree'Ana will send an email to everyone with the updates
- III. Voting**
 - a. Approval of October Minutes
 - i. Bree'Ana requested a motion to approve October minutes
 - ii. Sarah motioned the approval
 - iii. Krystina second the motion10 in favor, 1 abstention, 0 opposed
 - b. Approval of SFAC Documents
 - i. Laura discussed and reviewed the Student Activity Form, fees and projected amount of the Student Activity Fee's for the upcoming semester
 - ii. Laura requested a motion to approve SFAC Documents
 - iii. Krystina motioned the approval
 - iv. Sarah second the motion
 - v. Bree'Ana opened the floor for discussion11 ,0 abstentions, 0 opposed
- IV. Treasurer Report**
 - a. Natalie reviewed the treasurer report

- b. Bree'Ana requested a motion to approve the treasurer report
- c. Sarah motioned to approve
- d. Johana second the motion
 - 9 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 opposed
- e. Bree'Ana asked to vote on an amendment for City Steam \$424.00 to \$525.00
 - 10 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 opposed

V. Updates

A. Co-Chairs

- a. Debrief football games:
 - i. All tickets were given out, no one in the committees were able to attend
- b. Leadership dinner:
 - i. Dinner will be on December 3, 2018 at Salute @6PM
 - ii. Bree' Ana will send out a formal email
 - iii. Dinner will be business like for the first half
 - iv. Everyone will debrief after
- c. End of Semester Gathering:
 - i. Will be held at City Steam @11/29/2018 6-8pm, in the music room, Appetizers available
 - ii. Bree'Ana went over the appetizers that would be available
 - iii. Laura reserved up to 40 seats and encouraged everyone to invite other students to attend
 - iv. A flyer will be going around to RSVP
 - v. Elizabeth asked if people can bring kids to any events?
 - vi. Bree'Ana stated kids are more than welcome to join but wouldn't be able to take part in the food
 - vii. Unfortunately, matriculated student pay for these events so the children are welcomed to join but are limited to certain activities and/or partaking in food.
 - viii. Bree'Ana will check in and see if it is possible to plan an event that is family centered
 - ix. Bree'Ana will convene with Elizabeth and Johanna regarding this possible event

d. Community Service

- i. Bree'Ana reached out to Rosa at Urban Alliance
- ii. Rosa will be working with us regarding two future community service events
- iii. Open House will be this Saturday on 11/17/18 @ 10:30-1pm at the Hartford Public Library CCC room, food will be provided

B. Interest Groups

- a. LASO (vacant)
 - i. LASO will not be filled for this semester
 - ii. GSO is still looking to fill in the position for next semester, spread the word
- b. OBSWS

- i. Shamika and Krystina were updated and received advice from the GHABSW student chapter at Hartford public library and will be joining their student chapter.
- ii. GHABSW who will be starting a student chapter will be holding officer positions and partnering with other social workers in the state of Connecticut
- iii. Will have student brunch for the student chapter, Dec. 8 tentative date, location TBD
- iv. Members and student will be eligible for scholarship due 1/20/2018
- v. Planning culture night with PRIDE but no details available at the moment
- vi. Will be focusing community building, finding black student and speakers for this event
- vii. Will be having a meeting 11/15/18 Thursday
- c. PRIDE
 - i. Switched meeting on Tuesdays
 - ii. Working on culture night
 - iii. Panel Night date changed to 11/29 1:30-3pm in the SSW building room 113
 - iv. Krystina co-chair will be facilitating event, 2 faculty and some students
 - v. The Panel will be a Q&A event
 - vi. Meeting with OBSWS and collaborating with them during meetings
- d. SAMI
 - i. Event coming up on
 - ii. Meeting will be moved to Mondays next semester
 - iii. Meeting on 11/12/18 was a great turnout
 - iv. Will be having a donation drive for exiting incarcerated individuals to assist with services. This will take place at the Hartford City Hall on 11/12/2018- 12/7/2018
 - v. If anyone is interested in donating a bin will be outside of OSAS room 106 and room 202 in the HTB with a list of items needed
- C. Concentrations
 - a. IGFP
 - i. No updates
 - b. ADMN
 - i. No updates
 - c. CORG (vacant)
- D. PORP
 - i. PORP will be hosting a political placement luncheon on Friday 11/30 from 11:30-1 @ the HTB room 216, a flyer is in the works
 - ii. Luncheon will be catered by Cornerstone
 - iii. Tanya Rhodes-Smith will be attending to help facilitate discussion/provide guidance and wisdom.
 - iv. Anyone who has a placement even remotely political is free to attend
- E. School committees
 - a. Educational Policy Committee

- i. The next meeting will take place on 11/26/18
- ii. Sent request to EPC co-chair for inclusive gender pronouns, will talk about it in the next meeting
- b. Educational Review Committee
 - i. No one in attendance from this committee
- c. Field Education Advisory Committee
 - i. First official meeting from field agency was held on 11/2/18 and went very well
 - ii. Everyone who attended was comprised of faculty, staff, students, and representatives from field agencies
 - iii. They reviewed the implementation of the new online system for submitting and completing educational contracts and field evaluations
 - iv. They brainstormed ways to ensure UConn and the various field agencies were on the same page.
 - v. There was a consensus that completing the contracts online was a significant improvement from the old system
 - vi. The field education department was proactively working to fix issues as they came up
 - vii. They discussed a FAQ/Fact Sheet for the American Data Bank/Complio requirements
- F. Just Community
 - i. Committee continues to meet to brainstorm and plan
 - ii. 11/2/18 Dr. O attended and a Ph.D. student
 - iii. They talked about the election and discussed about what they could do to open the space for the student body
 - iv. Instead of having meetings away where students are unaware they decided to have the meetings on the 1st floor
 - v. The door will be open to invite student in
 - vi. Meeting will be held during mandatory break time in the common space to be more assessible
 - vii. Committee will like for the meetings to have a drop-in environment and coffee will be provided, and they will cover cost
 - viii. Additional questions, concerns, recommendations
 - i. Bree' Ana thanked everyone for a great semester.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 2:37pm

Signatures:

Ciara Velazquez, Secretary

Date

Milagros Marrero-Johnson, GSO Advisor

Date

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