**LGBT Faculty-Staff Association Board**

**Minutes**

**Thursday, March 14, 2013, 3-5PM**

**Members Present:** Shawn Bible, Forrest Clift, Kyle Felker, Jerrod Nickels, Gary Van Harn,

Megan Woller-Skar

**Guests:**

**Absent:** Kim Ranger

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**3.1 Budget Report**

3.1.1 It was reported that we’ve spent very little of our allocation this year and should have no difficulty meeting any need that still remains.

**3.2 Old Business**

3.2.1 Speaker(s) for FTLC seminar, LGBT-related issues in the classroom

\* Tamber Bustance from GRCC is available

\*Suggested date: Now scheduled for FTLC Learning Conference on August 21, 2013.

\* Christine Rener (FTLC) would like to know how the LGBT issues in the classroom discussion can be continued. We will invite Christine to one of our four meetings in the fall.

3.2.2 Prism Award Nominations, change of time and venue, convo with the Center

\* Shawn reviewed the conversation he had with Colette Beighley, LGBT Center Director re: Pride Awards, Lavender Graduation and funding issues.

\* The Center’s Pride Awards ceremony is now scheduled for March 27, separate from Lavender Graduation.

\* The FSA’s Prism Award will be given out at its Fall Welcome Back Reception.

\* Considerable discussion and review of our relationship to the Center and recent decision not to cosponsor Lavender Graduation or the Pride Awards ceremony. .

\* Nominations received: Cindy Mader, Mary Spaulding, Diana Pace.

\* A decision was postponed until April 11, 2013.

3.2.3 LGBT FSA Grant Awardees Notification

\* Announcement of winners will be added to our website, to The Forum, and now an integral part of the Fall Welcome Reception. Awardees have been notified by CSCE.

3.2.4 FSA Steering Committee Nominations, c/o Kyle.

\* Response thus far has been poor. One nomination received: Nathan Veeneman.

\* Forrest will contact Michael Kluczyk. We all agreed to recruit by 3/22.

**3.3 New Business**

3.3.1 Fall 2013 Welcome Reception

\* To be held on September 18, also Art Prize kick-off day.

\* If held downtown, to be at DEV.

\* If held in Allendale, perhaps the new library?

3.3.2 Summer FSA Retreat

\* At the home of Shawn Bible and Matt \_\_\_\_, Wednesday, June 5, from 9am to 1pm.

**3.4 Miscellaneous Business**

3.4.1 Megan would like to add an “Events Tab” to our website. Unanimous approval.

3.4.2 Forrest suggested that downtown FSA lunch events be changed to some kind of a TGIF event off campus, once a semester or every other month, open to the entire FSA.

3.4.3 Megan reports that our published goals do not match our stated activities and initiatives. These must be revised, two suggestions were made at the time, which Megan will implement.

**3.5 Calendar of Events, remaining dates**

3.5.1 Steering Committee Meeting:

\* Thursday, April 11, 3-5pm, MSP.

3.5.2 Lunches, Faculty/Staff Dining Room

\* Monday, March 25, U-Club, Pew Campus

\* Monday, April 18, Kirkhof Center, Allendale

3.5.3 Events:

\* March 27, 2013. Pride Awards Ceremony, 5pm, Pere Marquette Room, KC.

**3.6 Adjournment**

3.6.1 The meeting was adjourned at 4:37pm.

Next FSA Meeting:

The next FSA Meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 11, from 3 to 5 pm at Main Street Pub.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Van Harn

FSA Secretary