**FA LGBTQ+ Committee Meeting – September 8, 2023**

**In attendance:** Lisa Johansen, Nicole Beer, Dale Stahl, Howard Cook, Mari Prestigiacomo, Ryan Brown, Katy Mohrman, Ed Cannon, Jill Rubin, Kent Seidel, Marty Sabo

1. Introductions and Welcome new members
2. Approval of meeting minutes from May
   1. Ed motioned for approval, Katy seconded the motion, unanimous approval of the May minutes.
   2. Mari volunteered to take September meeting notes.
3. Infrastructure Letter (Dale)
   1. Second letter: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PylJNHzNlmG-sKVC\_MBr\_Y-\_Eg58snFCrg4HC28T3AE/edit?usp=sharing
   2. Discusses opportunities for building a more robust infrastructure of programs, faculty support, and policies that will help the LGBTQ+ community going forward.
   3. There is more to do other than the workshops.
   4. What’s going on with the operational team that Farias is putting together? Are there any additional questions about the letter itself? What do we want to do with this letter?
      1. Send the letter to Tyrell to get her thoughts and for more information. Ed, Ryan, Katy, and Michael Kocet (sp?) invited to operational team. Michael has agreed to lead this team. Selective process about who’s tapped to be part of these conversations. Having as many people as possible on the team is a good idea.
      2. The letter raises the concern about the operational effort having no mandate and exactly like Faculty Assembly—just advisory. If we have FA, why do we have this operational team?
      3. Suggestion: Advocating executive summary at the top of the letter.
         1. Working group decided the first page acts as the executive summary.
      4. Strategy: send to Tyrell, Farias, Snowden, and Dennis at FA.
      5. Should we sign as a committee without individual names?
         1. Adding names and our affiliation is important.
4. Review of Agreed on Tasks\*\*
   1. Mari went to first FA meeting.
   2. Volunteers for future FA Assembly.
      1. October – Howard; November – Mari; December – Dale
   3. All the other volunteers for other tasks are still able.
5. Antonio Faras funding/LGBTQ+ Inclusion workshops
   1. Mia sent the information about the funding to Ed.
   2. Tabling to October meeting.
6. Grand Challenges Connections (Kent Seidel)
   1. Kent part of one of the Grand Challenges, Building Democratic Communities
      1. Subgroup: misinformation and disinformation in public schools and politics.
      2. Secondary school students and teachers
      3. Talk about the Innovation Zone with Denver schools, support system in the past, but has been slipping in the past. Broad network of rural schools, and have partners.
      4. Still in developmental stages.
      5. Workshops: how can we get down to the P2 level and Denver schools?
   2. Reactions?
      1. It would be great. How would that get funded?
         1. Temporary funding
      2. Might be an opportunity to have grad students get more money and experience.
         1. Are we potentially placing students in harms way?
         2. Talk to risk management folks to help protect our students
         3. Had issues on our own campus with faculty not being respectful during workshops
      3. Workshop funding for the next three years ($5890).
      4. How we created the workshops and received funding; we can show others this model.
      5. Found that importing anything doesn’t work.
      6. Mia, Katy, and others are going to present the training work.
7. Discussion of the LGBTQ+ DEI webpage (Katy)
   1. Webpage link: <https://www.ucdenver.edu/offices/diversity-and-inclusion/our-offices/lgbtq-student-resource-center>
   2. Sent feedback to Farias, and got general response.
   3. Tyrell was not told about website.
   4. Katy is going to have meeting with Tyrell.
   5. Committee: please look at website and give further feedback to Katy.
8. Tyrell: Check in email/discussion
   1. Tyrell’s discussion with AHEC about all-gender restrooms on campus.
   2. Tyrell will give us more information.
9. Goals for 2023-24
   1. What’s laid out in the letter seems like a good outline of our future goals.
   2. More workshops.
   3. Work on the LGBTQ+ DEI webpage.

Meeting was adjourned at ~11:58 pm.

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**LGBTQ+ FA Committee Distribution of Tasks and Labor for AY 2023 - 2024**

1. Organizing LGBTQ+ FA Committee Meetings (emailing, agendas, Outlook invite for 11.00-12.00pm meetings second Friday of every month): *Ed [Mari offered help if needed]*
2. Running monthly LGBTQ+ FA Committee meetings: *Ed*
3. Attending FA Executive Committee meetings (4th Tuesday of every month, currently 12.00pm – 2.00pm, usually chair of subcommittees, or as long as it’s one consistent person should be fine): *Ed*
4. Attending FA meetings (at large meeting, 1st Tuesday of every month, currently 12.00pm – 2.00pm; establish rotation for each committee member to cover one during the semester): *Howard, Dale, Alejandro, Laurel, Mari*
5. Attending Antonio Farias’ Affinity Group Network (currently 1st Tuesday of every month, 10.00 -11.00am): *Katy*
6. Fall 2024 LGBTQ+ pedagogy workshops (if we continue):
   1. representative and point-person for emails and scheduling: *Lisa*
   2. updating materials, slides, facilitator training: *Katy*
   3. data collection: *Ryan and RA*
   4. and scheduling: *Lisa*
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   6. data collection: *Ryan and RA*