

LGBTQ+ Faculty and Staff Caucus Meeting

October 28, 2021

Called to order by President Bill Mattera at 9:04 AM

- I. Bill Mattera, President
 - a. Bill's final meeting ☺
 - b. Transitioning the presidency to Sophie
 - c. Changing the format of how our meeting run: how do we preserve this space for queer identifying folks? Want to make sure that this is a safe space for members of our community so that they feel comfortable sharing and attending meetings.
 - i. Caucus exec will start reaching out to folks to determine how members want to see meetings run, so keep an eye out for that!
- II. Sophie Ziegler, Vice President
 - a. Has been meeting with new caucus members to continue the listening tour
 - b. Has been meeting with UCG to discuss issues with mandated gender choice when completing paperwork
- III. Sam Baldrige, Secretary
 - a. Has been asked to serve on the search committee for the assistant director position to serve LGBTQ+ students at LSU
 - b. Bill: feedback from Dereck Rovaris is that we will still have a separate physical space in Coates Hall, but the caucus leadership will continue to push for accountability on that so that we do not lose that independent space
 - c. Michelle Carter: we may be able to move forward with the LGBTQ+ space sooner than the Multicultural Center, so their aim is to push admin to renovate that sooner
 - i. LGBTQ+ Project will move to that office (under Summer's supervision)
- IV. Laurie Braden, Treasurer
 - a. Payroll deductions will start processing, so keep an eye out for that on your check.
 - b. Will report total balance after November
 - c. Now knows how to process payments for items so we can pay invoices, order items, etc.
- V. Alexandra Chiasson, Graduate Student Representative
 - a. Still collecting resources for the queer owned/friendly business, medical, etc. list for community to utilize – please continue to send in suggestions!
- VI. Open Floor
 - a. Sophie – we are recruiting for a new VP! Please let the ExComm know if you are interested in filling the role, you get to serve on the University Council for Gender Equity and get to serve our community.
 - b. Alex Torres – Monday we are celebrating Dia de los Muertos, please join us on Memorial Drive for the event! You can help us decorate the campus alter or bring your own. The alter will be unveiled at 6 PM.

- c. Sam – shoutout to the drag show, we had a huge turnout! Campus Life has asked about permanently incorporating it as a homecoming week event, which is wonderful.
- d. Michelle Carter – OMA has just opened a position for Asian & Native American Affairs, hoping to have the position filled by January. Additionally, there's an administrative pause on the name change for the Women's Center, we will ask Summer to update us at the next meeting.
- e. Sophie Ziegler – please continue to voice the issues that you want us to bring up to leadership!

Meeting adjourned by Sophie Ziegler at 9:27AM