

Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues  
Meeting Minutes, September 20, 2006

*In attendance: Stacey Horn, Robbie Lopez, Jennie Brier, Thomas Stearns, Samantha Gray, Thomas Koster, Jacob Mueller, Lindsay Hyland, Patrick Finnessy, Jerry Goldstein, Liz Thomas, Julia Rahn, Nicole Moret, Mark Martell*

A. INTRODUCTIONS, including fun facts.

1. For our next meeting, everyone is invited to answer the questions: If you were a superhero, what would your name, costume, and superpowers be?

B. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

1. After domestic partnership benefits succeeded, the CC decided to create a Strategic Plan to direct our efforts for the next few years.
2. Stacey proposed a new sub-committee structure that matches the Strategic Plan goals:
  - a. Finance & Fundraising
  - b. Advocacy & Policy
  - c. Education, Outreach, & Communication
  - d. Curriculum & Pedagogy
  - e. Research & Scholarship
2. Anyone who wishes to be active with the CCSLGBTI is asked to choose one of these sub-committees. Each sub-committee will have a chairperson, will meet monthly (on a schedule determined by its members), and will create a work plan for its strategic area. Robbie and Stacey, CCSLGBTI co-chairs, will each be responsible for overseeing two of the sub-committees, and will share the remaining one.
4. If you intend to serve on the CCSLGBTI, please email Robbie and Stacey with your preferred sub-committee. Please also consider a chairperson position.

C. STRATEGIC PLAN

1. We distributed the draft version of our Strategic Plan. Stacey explained the process of creating the plan (which began last March and has been in the hands of various working groups). The plan has some room for revision before we unveil its final version. For this academic year, we intend to "live with the plan," and will revisit it yearly.
2. The meeting was opened up to comments and questions about this draft of the Strategic Plan.
  - a. The format received good feedback
  - b. A working group will be created to carry out next steps, including distributing the completed plan to the appropriate university personnel, and sharing it with Sue Rankin. Sue is a consultant who began the process of the Strategic Plan with us. We agreed to consider any feedback she has advisory, as she is not a member of the UIC community.
  - c. Sub-committees will be asked to fill in a timeline and delegate responsibility for the objectives of their respective goal areas.

- d. The Plan needs to be reviewed against CCSLGBTI bylaws, which may include more actions for the sub-committees.
- e. We are asking that feedback on this draft of the Plan be submitted by October 10, and earlier if possible. If you do not have a copy of the draft and would like to look it over, please email Stacey at [sshorn@uic.edu](mailto:sshorn@uic.edu) for a copy.

#### D. BUDGET

1. We voted to co-sponsor a speaker with the Office of GLBT Concerns in the amount of \$1,000.
2. We voted to pay for the travel expenses of Mark Bristoff, who gives a presentation on career decision-making for LGBTQ individuals, up to \$300.
3. We voted to offer the OGLBTC \$500 for their GLBT Heritage Month programming (including speakers Annie Sprinkle and Kenji Yoshino)
4. We voted to pay student Matt Ritter to redesign the CCSLGBTI website. We will pay him an hourly rate to be determined, up to \$500 for the whole project.
5. Stacey reminded us all to consider the question: "Does this advance an objective of the Strategic Plan?" when making decisions about the budget (we all agreed that the above four do!)
6. Another reminder, for all recipients of our co-sponsorship: All flyers and publications that list us as a sponsor MUST read "Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues" with no abbreviations in order for the money to be authorized. This is a regulation that is out of our control and has held up sponsorship in the past. Help us make the process smooth by remembering this detail!

#### E. OTHER

1. Due to substantial representation from both sides of campus, we will alternate our meeting locations. Our October meeting will be on east campus again, because we have already reserved a location, but in November we will meet on west campus.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 3:00 in 183 BSB