SSW GSO Steering Meeting
December 5, 2016
Undergrad Building – 126

**Members Present: Student Organization Officers / Representatives**

**Milagros Marrero-Johnson** - Director of Student and Academic Services / GSO Advisor
**Jasmine Rosado** - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair, Educational Policy Committee Rep., POPR Concentration Committee Co-Chair
**Savitri Horrigan** - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair, Just Community Rep
**Eleanor Muirhead** - Graduate Student Organization Treasurer
**Cassandra Marrero** - Graduate Student Organization Secretary
**Erica Crowley** – Community Organization Concentration Committee Co-Chair
**Atilana Gonzalez**- Latin American Student Organization Co-chair
**Michelle Jefferson**- Organization of Black Social Workers Co-Chair
**Gus Marks-Hamilton**- Students Against Mass Incarceration Co-Chair
**Amy Schumaker**- Educational Policy Committee
**Louise Harmon**- Educational Review Committee
**Lorena Crespo Morgan**- Administration Committee Chair
**Lady Mendoza**- Policy Practice Co-Chair
**Amolli Wills**- Women’s Caucus Chair
**Alison Scharr**- Community Organization Concentration Committee Co-Chair
**Jorge Castillo** - PRIDE Co-Chair
**Michal Klan-Stevens** – Student

**Call to Order:**
I. Meeting was called to order on December 5, 2016, at 5:37 p.m. by Savitri
II. Icebreaker
III. Approval of November Steering Meeting minutes
   a. Amy motion to approve
   b. Michelle seconded the motion
   c. 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention
IV. Approval of Expenditure Requests
   a. Jasmine motion to approve
   b. Jorge seconded the motion
   c. 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention
V. Discussed what worked/didn’t work for events
   a. Eleanor explained reasoning for the cancellation “Loving” movie event.
   b. Gus SAMI event
      i. The event went really well, good food, overall good turn out
c. Jasmine & Savitri:
   i. Discussion regarding election
   ii. Student appreciation date

VI. GSO Co-Chair Discussion
   a. Spring Semester steering Committee dates & times:
      i. Last Thursday of every month
      ii. 5:30-7pm
      iii. January 26th, February 23rd, March 30th, and April 27th
   b. Social Work Solidarity Hour
      i. Wednesday, Dec 7th from 2:50pm - 3:50 PM, Room 2nd floor lounge
      ii. Held by Just Community, GSO and NAHIPSW
   c. Study Hall
      i. Wednesday, Dec 7th, Room 208 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM
   d. Ugly Sweater Party
      i. Friday, Jan 20th at NIXS (40 Front St, Hartford) from 5:30 - 8:00 PM
   e. Post Inauguration/De-escalation/Action Steps Discussion & Suggestions
      i. To take place the week of Jan 23rd - 27th
   f. Student Town Hall
      i. Date TBA
   g. End of The Year Party
      i. Friday, April 28th from 6:00 - 9:00 PM; waiting on confirmation from City Steam
      ii. Suggestions for graduation gifts
         1. Pen/pencil set
         2. Diploma frame
         3. Canvas bag
         4. 5x7 picture frames
      iii. Suggestions for events/giveaways for next semester - “What do you want to see GSO do?”
         1. Envelope for the back of phones to put your credit card in
         2. Umbrella
VII. Update field proposal: Amy & Louise
   a. Louise looked up other universities’ field manual’s and their field hour requirements
   b. Field hour credit hours for organization events
   c. Allow 2 week notice for your field advisor of event you will attend
   d. Verification that student attended event

VIII. Discussed what worked for worked/didn’t work for events
   a. Michelle Looked into volunteering soup kitchen
      i. Church in Hartford Tues. & Thurs. 9am-1pm
      ii. McKinney Shelter in Hartford 3rd Saturday of the month 5-7pm
   b. LASO Christmas card event
      i. December 7, 2016
      ii. Toy drive
   c. OBSWS
      i. Michelle announced event for Saturday Dec. 10th at Black Eyed Sally’s at 2pm
   d. Youth count for youth homeless
      i. Alison signed up to volunteer and opened it to anyone who wants to join
   e. PRIDE support
      i. Free giveaways
      ii. December 5, 2016 2nd floor 2-3:30pm
   f. Women Caucus giveaway
      i. Free giveaways
      ii. Will be in the office
      iii. Whoever is available can pass them out in the lounge

IX. Next meeting January 26th 5:30-7:00pm

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Signatures:

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Cassandra Marrero                          Date
GSO Secretary

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