Minutes November 13, 2018
GSO Steering Committee
1:30-2:30
HTB Room 216

Members Present:
Bree’Ana Johnson- GSO Co-Chair
Laura Salerni- GSO Co-Chair arrived at 1:35pm
Ciara Velazquez- GSO Secretary
Sarah Dottor- PRIDE Co-Chair
Krystina Jackson- OBSWS Co-Chair
Shamika Smith- OBSWS Co-Chair
Johana Schubert- Just Community- Student Representative
Natalie O’Connor- OSAS staff
Erika Mott- Administration Chair arrived at 1:34pm
Aliyah Henry- SAMI, Chair

I. Meeting called to order at 1:37pm

II. Quick Discussion on Next Semester Meeting Dates
   a. Bree’Ana discussed meeting dates for the following semester
   b. GSO chairs have decided to continue the meetings on Tuesday’s from 1:30-2:30 p.m.
   c. All the committees present at this meeting agreed with the time/day to remain the same
   d. Bree’Ana will send an email to everyone with the updates

III. Voting
   a. Approval of October Minutes
      i. Bree’Ana requested a motion to approve October minutes
      ii. Sarah motioned the approval
      iii. Krystina second the motion
           10 in favor, 1 abstention, 0 opposed
   b. Approval of SFAC Documents
      i. Laura discussed and reviewed the Student Activity Form, fees and projected amount
         of the Student Activity Fee’s for the upcoming semester
      ii. Laura requested a motion to approve SFAC Documents
      iii. Krystina motioned the approval
      iv. Sarah second the motion
      v. Bree’Ana opened the floor for discussion
          11 abstentions, 0 opposed

IV. Treasurer Report
   a. Natalie reviewed the treasurer report
b. Bree’Ana requested a motion to approve the treasurer report

c. Sarah motioned to approve

d. Johana second the motion
   9 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 opposed

e. Bree’Ana asked to vote on an amendment for City Steam $424.00 to $525.00
   10 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 opposed

V. Updates

A. Co-Chairs

a. Debrief football games:
   i. All tickets were given out, no one in the committees were able to attend

b. Leadership dinner:
   i. Dinner will be on December 3, 2018 at Salute @6PM
   ii. Bree’ Ana will send out a formal email
   iii. Dinner will be business like for the first half
   iv. Everyone will debrief after

c. End of Semester Gathering:
   i. Will be held at City Steam @11/29/2018 6-8pm, in the music room, Appetizers available
   ii. Bree’Ana went over the appetizers that would be available
   iii. Laura reserved up to 40 seats and encouraged everyone to invite other students to attend
   iv. A flyer will be going around to RSVP
   v. Elizabeth asked if people can bring kids to any events?
   vi. Bree’Ana stated kids are more than welcome to join but wouldn’t be able to take part in the food
   vii. Unfortunately, matriculated student pay for these events so the children are welcomed to join but are limited to certain activities and/or partaking in food.
   viii. Bree’Ana will check in and see if it is possible to plan an event that is family centered
   ix. Bree’Ana will convene with Elizabeth and Johanna regarding this possible event

d. Community Service

i. Bree’Ana reached out to Rosa at Urban Alliance
   ii. Rosa will be working with us regarding two future community service events
   iii. Open House will be this Saturday on 11/17/18 @ 10:30-1pm at the Hartford Public Library CCC room, food will be provided

B. Interest Groups

a. LASO (vacant)
   i. LASO will not be filled for this semester
   ii. GSO is still looking to fill in the position for next semester, spread the word

b. OBSWS
Shamika and Krystina were updated and received advice from the GHABSW student chapter at Hartford public library and will be joining their student chapter.

GHABSW who will be starting a student chapter will be holding officer positions and partnering with other social workers in the state of Connecticut.

Will have student brunch for the student chapter, Dec. 8 tentative date, location TBD.

Members and student will be eligible for scholarship due 1/20/2018.

Planning culture night with PRIDE but no details available at the moment.

Will be focusing community building, finding black student and speakers for this event.

Will be having a meeting 11/15/18 Thursday.

c. PRIDE

Switched meeting on Tuesdays.

Working on culture night.

Panel Night date changed to 11/29 1:30-3pm in the SSW building room 113.

Krystina co-chair will be facilitating event, 2 faculty and some students.

The Panel will be a Q&A event.

Meeting with OBSWS and collaborating with them during meetings.

d. SAMI

Event coming up on.

Meeting will be moved to Mondays next semester.

Meeting on 11/12/18 was a great turnout.

Will be having a donation drive for exiting incarcerated individuals to assist with services. This will take place at the Hartford City Hall on 11/12/2018- 12/7/2018.

If anyone is interested in donating a bin will be outside of OSAS room 106 and room 202 in the HTB with a list of items needed.

C. Concentrations

a. IGFP

No updates.

b. ADMN

No updates.

c. CORG (vacant)

D. PORP

PORP will be hosting a political placement luncheon on Friday 11/30 from 11:30-1 @ the HTB room 216, a flyer is in the works.

Luncheon will be catered by Cornerstone.

Tanya Rhodes-Smith will be attending to help facilitate discussion/provide guidance and wisdom.

Anyone who has a placement even remotely political is free to attend.

E. School committees

a. Educational Policy Committee
i. The next meeting will take place on 11/26/18

ii. Sent request to EPC co-chair for inclusive gender pronouns, will talk about it in the next meeting

b. Educational Review Committee
   i. No one in attendance from this committee

c. Field Education Advisory Committee
   i. First official meeting from field agency was held on 11/2/18 and went very well
   ii. Everyone who attended was comprised of faculty, staff, students, and representatives from field agencies
   iii. They reviewed the implementation of the new online system for submitting and completing educational contracts and field evaluations
   iv. They brainstormed ways to ensure UConn and the various field agencies were on the same page.
   v. There was a consensus that completing the contracts online was a significant improvement from the old system
   vi. The field education department was proactively working to fix issues as they came up
   vii. They discussed a FAQ/Fact Sheet for the American Data Bank/Complio requirements

F. Just Community
   i. Committee continues to meet to brainstorm and plan
   ii. 11/2/18 Dr. O attended and a Ph.D. student
   iii. They talked about the election and discussed about what they could do to open the space for the student body
   iv. Instead of having meetings away where students are unaware they decided to have the meetings on the 1st floor
   v. The door will be open to invite student in
   vi. Meeting will be held during mandatory break time in the common space to be more assessible
   vii. Committee will like for the meetings to have a drop-in environment and coffee will be provided, and they will cover cost
   viii. Additional questions, concerns, recommendations

i. Bree’ Ana thanked everyone for a great semester.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 2:37pm

Signatures:

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Ciara Velazquez, Secretary                  Date