Members Present:
Trisha-Ann Hawthorne-Noble - GSO Advisor
Molly Franco - GSO Co-Chair
Kristine Jon - GSO Secretary
Lauren Perrone - GSO Treasurer
Alberto Cifuentes, Jr. – DSO Chair
Lexie Soja – IGFP Concentration Chair/PEERs Co-Chair
Nina Rodriguez – Just Community Representative
Sarah Smith – CORG Chair
Gabrielle Mitchell – OBSWS Co-Chair (joined 1:48PM, left at 2:30PM)
Melissa Keilty – POPR Chair/EPC Chair (joined 2:09PM)
Joanne Corbin – Associate Dean (joined 2:18PM)

Absent:
Victoria Szantyr – GSO Co-Chair
Lynne Alexander – PRIDE Co-Chair/ERC Chair
Sarah Baden – Field Ed Advisory
Sophie Fortunato – SAMI Co-Chair
Deja Perry – OBSWS Co-Chair
David Reyes – LASO Chair
Matthew Stayner – SAMI Co-Chair
Carley Taft – PRIDE Co-Chair
Megan Wolfe – International Advisory Committee

I. Meeting called to order at 1:37PM
   a. Attendance
   b. Approval of minutes
      i. Molly made a motion to approve, Sarah seconded
         7 approved, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

II. Treasurer Report
   a. Vote on collaboration with GSCA ($800) – Date: TBA
      i. Lauren discussed speaking with Dominique about Black Perfectionism
         workshop
         1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
            7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions
b. Vote on RBF Training ($1000) – 4/19 Executive
   i. Molly discussed Welcome to Reality with UConn SSW alumni, training on how to conduct meetings, 25 seats available and can get continuing education credits for this training
      1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
         7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

c. Vote on additional Mental Health training ($1500) – 4/18 Executive
   i. Lauren discussed additional trainings as the other slots filled up
      1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
         7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

d. Vote on GSO Promo items ($3000) – March/April Executive
   i. Molly discussed with Vicky getting customized gear for MSW students, water bottles, shirts
      1. Molly made a motion to approve, Lauren seconded the motion
         8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

   i. Trisha discussed OSAS will be offering a workshop for 50 graduating students. Nina stated having a June date would be more helpful, Trisha said she could look into splitting the dates
      ii. GSO would approve sponsoring 10 additional seats
         1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
            8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

f. Vote on Sound Therapy ($500) – 4/2 PEERS
   i. Lexie discussed sound therapy session for 15 students
      1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
         8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

g. Vote on DSO gift card/virtual hour ($950) – 4/5 if approved through TSOS/DSA
   i. Alberto discussed the cards are for self-care packages for DSO students and be tying it with a virtual happy hour event
      ii. Question by Molly on the purpose/why – request for more information
         1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
            8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

h. Vote on Safezone Project ($1000) – Pride/Executive
   i. OSAS is offering 20 already for F/S. Trisha connected with Pride (absent from meeting) about offering a similar workshop to students.
      ii. GSO Steering and Executive team went through a discussion and agreed it should be offered. Lauren moved forward.
         1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
            8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

i. Vote on Gabbie Mitchell reimbursement for event materials ($55) – OBSWS
   i. Lauren discussed the Paint n’ Sip event that Gabbie used her personal funds for and needs reimbursement
      1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
         8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

j. Vote on Virtual HipHop Game ($400) – 4/16 OBSWS
i. Gabbie discussed collaborating with LASO
   1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
      8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions
k. Vote on NARCAN training $2000 – CORG, POPR, IGFP, PRIDE
   i. Sarah discussed NARCAN training at $75 per kit and wants to collaborate
      with other interest groups to open more seats, would be approximately
      $1500-2000 for 20-25 seats and estimating
      1. Lauren made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion
         9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

III. Updates
a. Co-Chairs
   i. Interest for 2021-2022 Executive Committee positions
      1. Molly discussed filling the roles for Co-Chair and Secretary
         positions, Secretary must be first year student
b. Interest Groups
   i. Latin American Student Organization (LASO) – Absent
   ii. Organization of Black Social Work Students (OBSWS)
      1. Gabbie discussed BH365 Black Maternal Health event April 8
   iii. PRIDE – Absent
   iv. Students Against Mass Incarceration (SAMI) – Absent
v. Doctoral Student Organization (DSO)
   1. Alberto discussed virtual coffee hour April 5
   2. Picnic for DSO at Elizabeth Park June 6
vi. Providing Education, Empowerment, Resources & Support (PEERS)
   1. Lexie discussed the sound therapy event planned April 2
c. Concentrations
   i. IGFP
      1. Lexie discussed meeting and bringing up confusion around class
         modality
   ii. CORG
      1. Sarah discussed plans for NARCAN event (voted on above)
      2. Discussed program planning courses and the capstone careers
         course at meeting, advocated for career building courses
   iii. POPR
      1. Melissa discussed using leftover funds for graduation swag and
         willing to partner
d. School Committees
   i. Educational Policy Committee (EPC)
      1. Melissa discussed curriculum with career courses
   ii. Educational Review Committee (ERC) – Absent
   iii. Field Education Advisory Committee – Absent
   iv. Center for International Social Work Studies Advisory Committee – Absent
   v. Just Community Committee
      1. Nina discussed the size workshop with Dominique, who stepped
         down from Just Community, Luke will be new representative
2. Solidarity hour Nina is hosting April 2
3. Nina discussed book club for next year

IV. SSW Strategic Plan
   a. Dr. Joanne Corbin discussed strategic planning process that can be found on university site
   b. Two-dimensional plan with priorities of the SSW being doubling research and life transformative education, engine for the state of Connecticut (supporting needs of the state)
      i. Areas of focus on health and aging
      ii. Values include diversity, anti-racism, emotional wellness, etc.
   c. Dr. Corbin discussed five subcommittees with different areas of focus and goals

V. Additional questions, concerns, recommendations
   a. Alberto asked if summer courses will be in person, Trisha said all summer courses will be distance learning
   b. Scholarship decisions will be made in April
   c. Trisha reminded the group of licensure alum panel - April 6
   d. Trisha stated that students’ concerns were heard at both recent events: listening session and coffee chat.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 2:52PM

Kristine Jon, Secretary

Date

Trisha-Ann Hawthorne-Noble, GSO Advisor

Date