# SSW GSO Leadership Meeting

# June 6, 2018

## 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

# School of Social Work Building – Room 229

#### **Members Present:**

Milagros Marrero-Johnson - Director of Student and Academic Services / GSO Advisor Bree'Ana Johnson - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair Laura Salerni - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair Melissa Crossley- Graduate Student Organization Secretary

#### Call to Order:

- I. Meeting was called to order at 5:22 p.m.
- II. Milagros welcomed everyone and each student introduced themselves.
- III. Milagros asked for the students present to declare their name and position for the 18-19 year.
  - a. Bree'Ana Johnson, Co-Chair for GSO
  - b. Laura Salerni, Co-Chair for GSO
  - c. Melissa Crossley, Secretary for GSO
- IV. Melissa completed the hiring paperwork today.
  - a. Official hire date, pending approval, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018
  - b. Pay rate for \$10.71 per hour 6 hours/month
- V. Each GSO Executive Committee Member will have their own business email
  - a. Use this email for professional purposes instead of personal email and for FOI reasons
  - b. Bree'Ana and Laura's Co-chair email is working and they are connected. Milagros will submit for Melissa's account to be done.
- VI. Bree'Ana has added Melissa to GSO Facebook page
  - a. Melissa needs to accept to help administer the page
- VII. Creating an Instagram for GSO?
  - a. Will discuss more at next Executive meeting
  - b. Include social media resources in tote bags handed out for students at events
- VIII. Mixer in Spotlight after Convocation
  - a. Kim Schwarz is our liaison for Spotlight
  - b. Events Request Form via GSO website indicate Spotlight & that food will be served (\*Laura will do)
  - c. For Mixer we can extend invite to BSW/DSW if we would like because of small number (10 BSW, 5 PHD) and will still serve primarily MSW students

- d. Just need to indicate that we would like to send invitation out to BSW & DSW if we would
- e. Possibly hold social towards end of the school year including BSW
- f. Planning mixer what is the goal? What do we want people to walk away with? Will anyone speak? Include other leaders as well
- g. Flyer Send out by July 10th, RSVP by August 10th
- h. Send to OSAS, put on FB & Instagram
- i. Don't focus on recruiting necessarily, informational\*\*\*
- j. Format of Convocation for incoming students less academic, highlighting social work in current climate, NASW Code of Ethics, alumni, spoken word
- k. Can GSO Co-Chairs speak at Convocation briefly at the end and invite to mixer Milagros will let leaders know
- IX. Letter to SSW Community
  - a. Draft August 20th
  - b. Bree'Ana and Laura will meet August 5th
- X. Milagros reviewed goals of the leaders for this year. She provided feedback and asked them to update them for the next meeting
- XI. Advertising CLICC to SSW community was discussed and considered as a potential way to engage students in community engagement
- XII. Community service one fall, one spring
  - a. Potential fall
    - i. Health clinic? Would need to reach out to Kim Schwartz first → Bree'Ana will email. Milagros mentioned there may be many stipulations around this type of event due to HIPPA/confidentiality reasons
    - ii. Participating in a walk?
    - iii. Mentoring on a weekend?
  - b. Potential spring
    - i. Collecting items for Interval House (Bree'Ana will contact)
    - ii. Start thinking about dates of collecting & drop-off
    - iii. Boxes for each concentration whoever gathers the most will get a pizza/party sponsored by GSO! (would have to build in expenditures)
- XIII. Milagros will send everyone campus policies/procedures document
  - a. Any flyer needs to have a statement regarding Accessibility\*
  - b. Events including minors have special regulations\*
  - c. Will review in next meeting
- XIV. Continue to look at giveaways try to make different from previous years
- XV. First social of year
  - a. Has to be an approved vendor\*
  - b. Carmen & Iris in Finance can let us know who is approved vendor
  - c. Bowl-O-Rama in Newington
  - d. Prepare flyer
- XVI. Interest Meetings
  - a. No RSVP for June 21st meeting yet

- b. 3 RSVP for July 24th first
- c. Food Panera & Blind Pig, respectively
- d. Reminder sent to students email Natalie
- XVII. City tour google doc should be created
  - a. Need volunteers to give tours send out to returning students will hold mini orientation for them
  - b. Extending it beyond "square", How long would it be?, Keep in mind accessibility
  - c. Potential dates in August Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday one early morning, one afternoon, one early evening on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>
- XVIII. Admin students will be granted funds if there is not a formal representative, then they cannot access funds (would stay under GSO umbrella). Milagros will contact 3 remaining students to let them know.
  - XIX. Date for Milagros to conduct training in conjunction with Leadership Greater Hartford for incoming leaders is Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, pending Andre's availability
    - a. Speaking to Andre via phone call during July 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting @ 1:15pm to review what leaders would want covered in training
  - XX. Student Activities mandatory meeting in Storrs for executive committee on Sunday before school starts tentatively August 26<sup>th</sup>
  - XXI. Accessing Q-drive to save documents
    - a. Create folders
    - b. Milagros stressed the importance of saving documents as leaders move along in the year
- XXII. Build in GSO training for new leaders as they come on
  - a. After Steering Committee meeting?
  - b. Post on calendar when known
- XXIII. Post-evaluation of every event will be required of all leaders
  - a. Future funding will be contingent on whether they hand it in
  - b. Include language in By-Laws
- XXIV. UCONN Alumni Relations Elyssa Kelly, SSW Staff representative
  - a. How to engage alumni in GSO
  - b. Social with students & alumni?
- XXV. Open House
  - a. Saturday, November 3rd 9am-12pm
  - b. As many GSO members as possible
  - c. How does GSO want to engage with prospective students?
  - d. Milagros will update as details are finalized
- XXVI. Need Constitution finalized so that it can be voted on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> (first field advising seminar)
  - a. Will work on at next meeting
- XXVII. UConntact

- a. Register our organization?
- b. Resources: photo gallery, news section (handouts, etc.), post about events, track attendance (Download campus mobile check-in app) iPads, send messages to members and survey creation

## XXVIII. Meetings

- a. 1st Executive Meeting during school year will be Tuesday, September 4th SSW 229 from 1:30 to 2:30pm
- b. 1st Steering Committee Meeting during school year will be Tuesday, September 18th
- c. Will request HTB 216, Food will be at both
- d. Need to map out dates for the rest of the semester (meetings will need to go on events calendar). Have dates prepared for next meeting.

XXIX. Next meeting - discussing Constitution & By-Laws - Monday, July 2nd at 1:15pm

- a. Needs to go on calendar
- b. Room needs to be reserved

#### Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

#### Signatures:

Minute Taker: Laura Salerni, GSO Co-Chair	
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Laura Salerni, GSO Co-Chair	Date
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Milagros Marrero-Johnson	Date
GSO Advisor	