

**SSW Graduate Student Organization  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
1:30-2:30 pm  
SSW RM 229**

**Members Present:**

**Laura Salerni** - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair

**Bree'Ana Johnson** - Graduate Student Organization Co-Chair

**Milagros Marrero-Johnson** - Director of Student and Academic Services / GSO Advisor

**Natalie O'Connor** - OSAS Staff

**Sarah Dotter** - PRIDE Co-Chair (arrived at 1:35 pm)

**I. Call meeting to order at 1:32 pm**

**II. UConn Football Game Overview**

- a. All tickets were signed up for by students
- b. Rain may have impacted attendance day of

**III. Treasurer Report/Update**

- a. Review of Expenditures
- b. Natalie will email document to Laura; Laura will email to students along with 11/13 Steering Committee Meeting Agenda

**IV. GSO Executive Leadership Vacancies**

- a. Treasurer Position
  - i. OSAS will be filling in as treasurer while position remains vacant
- b. LASO & CORG Chair Vacancies
  - i. Bree'ana will send email to students with position descriptions to see if there is interest

**V. GSO Governance and other documents**

- a. **Constitution and voting process**
  - i. Expected date to reopen: Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> (Diversity Seminar)
  - ii. GSO tabling outside Diversity Program from 8:30 – 9 am & 10:30 – 11 am
  - iii. Laura will email Krista O'Brien to inquire about reopening for this date
  - iv. Co-Chairs will send email to students with voting information prior to Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> to allow students time to review

**VI. Review Status of Student Fee Budget Process/Documents**

- a. Co-Chairs met prior to review and compiled questions
- b. MMJ went over process of calculating participation numbers
- c. Co-Chairs will meet with Bruce Parkhurst today to address questions, send to Milagros by tonight for her review, submit to Sylvie tomorrow, send to students no later than Nov. 7

**VII. Status of Fall GSO Activities**

- a. **Leadership Dinner: Mon. Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- i. Co-Chairs confirmed Salute as an approved vendor
- ii. Bree'ana: waiting from response from two leaders on attendance
- iii. Laura: Co-Chairs sent email on dietary restrictions to those invited
- iv. Bree'ana: owner will be in touch on reservation details
- v. Bree'ana: check will be needed for day of
- b. End of the Semester Holiday Party for Student Body: Thurs. Nov 29<sup>th</sup>**
  - i. Bree'ana: will need minimum of 25 students to attend for reservation purposes
  - ii. Milagros & Sarah: spoke on advertising strategically to optimize attendance
  - iii. Co-Chairs to add pitchers of beverages to order
  - iv. Bree'ana: will create flyer for event

#### **VIII. Community Service Opportunities**

- a. Bree'ana: in communication with Urban Services Coordinator; informed her of GSO mission and potential volunteer dates, waiting for her response
- b. Bree'ana: possible date is Nov. 16, will circulate sign-up for those interested
- c. Bree'ana: Co-Chairs will remind Steering Committee at 11/13 meeting of GSO's commitment to service stated within constitution; Laura will add to agenda

#### **X. Additional questions, concerns, or recommendations**

- a. Milagros will invite Nadine Brennan to 12/4 Steering Committee Meeting
- b. Discussion on scheduling of Executive & Steering Committee Meeting for Spring term
  - i. Executive: Tuesdays from 1:30 – 2:30 will work for Co-Chairs
    - 1. Laura will contact Ciara to see if time works for her
  - ii. Steering: Co-Chairs will begin discussion at 11/13 meeting and confirm day and time at 12/4 meeting
- c. Milagros suggested goal for Spring to sponsor an educational event
- d. Sarah: PRIDE Panel to be held Nov. 15
  - i. Milagros noted conflict with SW Career Planning Program taking place at same time
- e. Milagros: discussed format of 11/17 MSW Open House; Co-Chairs will be present; GSO will have table allotted for flyers & giveaways
- f. Bree'ana: mentioned possibility of proposing for next year's GSO Co-Chair positions to be paid

#### **XI. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 pm**

**Signatures:**

  
 Natalie O'Connor, OSAS Staff

10/31/18  
 Date

  
 Milagros Marrero-Johnson, GSO Advisor

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