# SSW Graduate Student Organization Executive Committee Meeting Agenda October 9, 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
Nary Rath - Graduate Student Organization Treasurer (arrived at 2:13pm)
Ciara Velazquez - Graduate Student Organization Secretary
Natalie O'Connor, OSAS Staff
Sarah Dotter- Pride Co-Chair (arrived at 1:32pm)

# I. Call meeting to order at 1:29pm

# II. Review of Results from Constitution Vote

- a) We only received 9% of the vote and need 20% to pass the constitution
- b) There was a discussion on when to begin voting again
- c) Laura will request via email to Krista O'Brien that the constitution vote be reopened and will inquire about current votes to see if they will be included in the upcoming votes
- d) Bree'Ana will commit to cover for a voting table on 10/26/2018 in the Hartford Times Building outside of OSAS; she can also cover from 11-1pm in the Social Work Building if needed; OSAS will cover hours as needed.

### III. GSO Leadership Vacancies

- a) LASO still does not have leaders. There is one candidate interested but cannot fulfill all of the position requirements. LASO advisor wanted Milagros to share with the committee regarding the candidate's barriers for consideration.
- b) CORG is still open for representatives. Bree'Ana will reach out to students and see if anyone is interested.
- c) POLICY PRACTICE- Morgan Reiss has fulfilled the position

#### IV. REVIEW GSO BUDGET SHEET

- a) Doctoral Students were given the wrong amount of \$1,050.00 and needs to be changed to \$800.00. Milagros will make the changes.
- b) Fringe benefits needs to be added to the budget for the paid positions
- c) Holiday Gathering- Bree'Ana will review and revise the voucher form, send to Laura for review and finally send to Milagros for approval.
- d) Laura will send the email the student body by 11/3/2018 for feedback of Budget Process then the steering committee will vote on it.
- e) 11/13/2018 packet will be brought to the steering committee for a vote
- f) 2/13/2019 date for presentation regarding student fee budget process

#### V. Secretary and Treasurer Hours

- a) New payroll forms need to be filled out for new base pay
- b) Milagros will inquire about retro pay from 9/18/2018 to 5/10/2019 and send to Sylvie Godbout in Storrs

#### VI. Status of Fall GSO Activities

- a) Bowl-O-Rama social was a low turnout, but went well
  - i. Sarah stated students did not understand the emails regarding the events and thought it only pertained to GSO. GSO will rephrase wording for the future
- b) There are 6 RSVP for the football game
  - i. Bree'Ana will table the event on 10/11/2018 outside of OSAS to gain interest
- c) Study In Event will be moved to November so it doesn't interfere with IGFP event occurring on 10/26/2018
  - i. GSO will reserve a space where people can come unwind.
  - ii. Paint with a twist may be a possibility for next semester

### VII. UConn SSW Paraphernalia

- a) Bree'Ana and Laura will talk about possible paraphernalia products
  - i. Co- Chairs will designate \$500.00-\$800.00
  - ii. Co-Chairs will work with Milagros on storage items

### VIII. Community Service

- a) Laura suggest activities such as helping the environment/gardening
  - i. Milagros stated to be mindful that graduate students will be graduating and it may be challenging to do something in April
  - ii. Bree will reach out to CRT, Hands of Hartford regarding program events
  - iii. Ciara will also reach out to some organizations and inquire about upcoming events

#### IX. Treasure Report Update

- a) Nary states there has been no complications.
  - i. Isabella Randazzo chair of IGFP had a question about the 4% if it is included for the year or by semester.
  - ii. Milagros explained that the interest groups are by the year and the new groups were by semester
  - iii. Milagros explained that Nary must make an amendment so that Nary can adjust the budget for the doctoral student budget
  - iv. Nary will bring budget sheet to next steering committee meeting for approval

# X. Additional questions, concerns, or recommendations

- a) Bree will submit voucher request on 10/9/2018 by 5pm for the Nov.13, 2018 Steering Committee Meeting
- b) Laura asked for clarification on dates the expenses are covered
- c) Milagros suggested submitting all forms for the meeting lunches at once
- d) Nary will request check from Iris for the Steering Committee meeting on Nov. 13, 2018
- e) Bree'Ana will submit food order for the Steering Committee meeting on Oct.11.2018
- f) Milagros states she met with Zulynette (Alumn) to discuss Iron Poets which will allow UCONN SSW students to participate in poetry in the arts. Co-Chairs will follow up with Sulynez.

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g) Milagros will bring the check for the football event to get the tickets.

#### XI.

Meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

### Signatures:

Ciara Velazquez, Secretary

Date

Milagros Marrero-Johnson

Date

**GSO** Advisor