

UConn SSW Graduate Student Organization
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, 13 October 2020 | 1:30PM – 3:00PM | WebEx

Members Present:

Trisha-Ann Hawthorne-Noble - GSO Advisor (*left at 2:30pm*)

Victoria Szantyr - GSO Co-Chair

Molly Franco - GSO Co-Chair

Kristine Jon - GSO Secretary

Lauren Perrone - GSO Treasurer

Joanne Corbin – Associate Dean (*1:30 – 2:00PM, 2:30 – 3:00PM*)

Kathy Birnie – Program Assistant (*joined 2:16PM*)

Nina Heller – Dean (*joined 2:30PM*)

- I. **Meeting called to order** at 1:37PM
 - a. Attendance
- II. **Review of current GSO leadership interest and commitment**
 - a. Adding members:
 - i. Sarah Smith as CORG Chair
 - ii. Lynne Alexander as PRIDE Co-Chair
 - iii. Megan Wolfe as PEERS
 - iv. Melissa Keilty as EPC Chair
- III. **Operational Updates**
 - a. Social media updates
 - i. Molly discussed the new highlights posted on the GSO Instagram page, discussed wanting to promote social media to more first year students
 - ii. Victoria suggested posting job listings and opportunities with OSAS to cross promote both pages and increase engagement
 - iii. Trisha discussed connecting with BSW students and getting in contact with Avery Smith, the President for the Social Work Student Association
- IV. **Steering Committee Meeting**
 - a. Budget form and report
 - i. Lauren expressed confusion many steering committee members had regarding who to ask about GSO funds
 - ii. Trisha discussed the new UConncontact page that executive members must sign in to approve events. Trisha is to verify with DSA access for GSO Executive members.
 - iii. Kristine mentioned budget form GSO used in previous years

1. Victoria discussed it might be confusing because there are too many forms
2. Lauren stated she can use the budget form for personal use instead of having everyone fill it out
3. Lauren listed the necessary items that executive team should add to the Proposed Events Form: event justification, flyer, quote, and if there will be prizes
 - a. Trisha clarified that the vendor will be the one submitting the quote
 - b. Trisha states GSO budget will be over the previous mentioned amount, depending on how many students choose to continue in the spring semester

b. Agenda/Ideas

- i. Kristine discussed the agenda items for 10/20 Steering Committee meeting
 1. Trisha discussed the group should vote on upcoming events for the month of November, Kristine will send out email to ask for proposals to be submitted so they can be voted on
- ii. Victoria discussed having a team meet beforehand and creating a document to write out exact process and necessary items for groups to submit

c. Liaison updates

- i. Finalizing liaison language for vote
 1. Victoria made a motion to approve, Molly seconded the motion 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions
 2. Language to be added as an addendum for the academic year 2020-2021

- d. Trisha discussed the GSO point system and prizes for Steering Committee members and Executive members, as they are not allowed to earn points for their own events. Trisha will follow up with templates that GSO may use to design the point system/plan.

V. Concerns from students – meeting with Dean

- a. Field placements, classes

VI. Meeting adjourned at 2:26PM

Kristine Jon, Secretary

Date

Trisha-Ann Hawthorne-Noble, GSO Advisor

Date