

GLASS Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – January 6, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:20pm. All seven members of the Steering Committee were present at the call to order. GLASS member Caitlin Hart also joined the meeting.
2. The Agenda had previously been approved electronically. The December Meeting Minutes and Treasurer’s Report was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
3. Speaker Series Update & Planning
 - a. Moodie-Mills Event with SBLSC Recap
 - i. The Steering Committee agreed that the event was “great,” “engaging,” and “germane.” The event differed from previous recent Speaker Series events insofar as the speaker was not a sitting Member of Congress.
 - b. Future Events
 - i. Boxer
 - It was noted that Senator Boxer’s scheduling office was not responsive. Julian Miller said that he would reach out to Senator Murphy’s office if he did not hear back in a prompt manner.
 - ii. Heinrich
 - Mario Semiglia articulated that he asked Senator Heinrich’s scheduler about speaking sometime in February or March. The scheduler revealed that he or she would have an answer for Mr. Semiglia soon.
4. Happy Hour Events
 - a. State of the Union Watch Party
 - i. Adam Henderson noted that he was working with Nellie’s Sports Bar to coordinate a watch party of the State of the Union Address to take place on January 12, 2016 at 8:30pm. Mr. Henderson commented that the bar was “good to work with.”

- b. December Happy Hour Review
 - i. Mr. Henderson also told the Board that he had a “pleasant experience” working with the Duplex Diner staff in organizing the event. Joseph Lindblad said that he got feedback from a staff member that the location, however, was a bit far from Capitol Hill.
- 5. Mentorship Program Discussion
 - a. Building on last month’s agreement to revamp the program, Justin Laufer, Andrew Fuentes, and Mr. Lindblad agree to meet separately in the upcoming week to discuss the matter further.
- 6. DADT Briefing
 - a. Mr. Henderson had been working to procure groups for an anniversary briefing, but said that he had received a tepid response.
 - b. Mr. Laufer encouraged the members to be thinking about other future briefing ideas.
- 7. GLASS Election Prep and Recruiting
 - a. Mr. Fuentes denoted that this time last year the Board sent out a reminder about Elections. Moreover, Mr. Semiglia said that since only dues paying can vote, the Board should be working on wording of a blast email to remind its members.
 - b. Mr. Fuentes and Mr. Miller agreed to oversee the process.
- 8. Website & Social Media
 - a. Mr. Fuentes suggested that we wait until we have a more finalized version of the Mentorship Program to send a blast email about that process.
 - b. A standard blast was planned to be sent out to members the day following the Member Meeting.
- 9. Volunteer Suggestions
 - a. Mr. Henderson denoted that it would be best to have a volunteer event after work.

- b. Mr. Fuentes recommended that an event also incorporate women as well. Mr. Lindblad seconded the notion.
- c. It was rementioned that the DC LGBT Center does monthly events. It was also noted that SBLSC is doing a Martin Luther King Day event.
- d. Mr. Lindblad asked the Board if it was possible to do something like a food drive.
 - i. Mr. Laufer concluded that since GLASS was not an official organization, they would need to have an official Member attachment in order to participate in such an event.

10. Next Meeting

- a. The February 2016 Steering Committee meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at a to-be-determined location.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50pm.