

GLASS Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – June 7, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:20pm. Eight members of the Steering Committee were present at the call to order. Joseph Lindblad arrived at 6:23pm.
2. The Agenda had previously been approved electronically. The May Meeting Minutes and the Treasurer's Report were approved by a unanimous voice vote.
3. Pride
 - a. T-Shirts
 - i. The Steering Committee discussed selling the shirts for \$15. The newest shipment was set to arrive on June 9, 2016.
 - b. Happy Hour
 - i. Multiple Hill Staff Associations agreed to co-host the Pride happy hour, including the LGBT Congressional Staff Association (CSA), LC-GLOBE, the Congressional Hispanic Staff Association, the Senate Black Legislative Staff Caucus, and the Congressional Asian Pacific American Staff Association. The Women's Congressional Staff Association agreed to advertise the event to their members, but weren't able to co-host due to their annual summer conference event.
 - ii. Amy Gutierrez mentioned that a few members under 21 years old expressed interest in attending the happy hour. She called 201 Bar and they said attendees under 21 should notify the bouncer at the door and would still be allowed to enter.
 - c. Parade
 - i. The Board will be marching next to CSA and LC Globe. The Board agreed to advertise the staging area on a Facebook event and email blast so general members can meet the group before the parade.
 - ii. Andrew Fuentes agreed to order candy and beads online to be given to parade spectators.

4. Speaker Series

a. Senator Schatz

- i. Mr. Fuentes has been in contact with the Senator's scheduler who discussed the 23rd or 30th as potential dates.
- ii. Brian Sims is confirmed for July 7th. Mr. Fuentes is submitting a room request.
- iii. Future speakers: Kelli Fallon will be in touch with Todd Larson for a future speaking opportunity.

5. Social Events

a. Nats Night Out

- i. Advertise in an email blast and connect with Q Street to buy tickets.

b. Q Street Pride Reception: June 16th, 2016.

c. Victory Fund Pride Reception: June 21st, 2016. GLASS is a co-host.

d. Other events

- i. GLASS and CSA is co-hosting Q Street's ladies happy hour on July 7, 2016.
- ii. CSA Women's happy hour is on June 24, 2016.
- iii. Diversity Initiative event: June 28, 2016.

6. Professional Development

a. Volunteer event

- i. Caitlin Hart is in touch with SMYAL about a volunteer opportunity.
- ii. Mr. Lindblad suggested reaching out to SAGE to organize a volunteer event.

b. Mentorship

- i. The Board discussed connecting with the new summer interns and sending information to the intern coordinator list serve.

- ii. Mr. Lindblad mentioned that a few mentors have already signed up without advertisement of the mentorship program.
 - iii. Ms. Gutierrez said she will check the forms.
 - c. Intern engagement
 - i. Mr. Fuentes suggested hosting brown bag lunches as a way to engage interns who may be under 21 and cannot attend happy hours.
- 7. LGBT Awareness
 - a. Andrew Shine said he would follow up with his contacts regarding a panel on issues facing the transgender community.
 - b. Mr. Lindblad mentioned that the panel should be a broader educational discussion.
- 8. Website & Social Media, Communications
 - a. Email blasts
 - i. Mario Semiglia will send out an email on June 8, 2016 with information for upcoming events.
- 9. Next Meeting
 - a. The July 2016 Steering Committee meeting was tentatively scheduled for July 5, 2016 at a to-be-determined location.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.