

GLASS Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – March 3, 2015

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:17pm. All seven members of the newly elected Steering Committee were present. Outgoing member Brian Conlan was also present.
2. The agenda was previously approved electronically. The February Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report were both approved by a unanimous voice vote.
3. Social Events
 - a. The Steering Committee agreed to hold a joint happy hour with the LGBT Congressional Staff Association board at a to-be-determined date in mid-March.
 - b. Potential names to invite to the upcoming Speaker Series events were discussed such as Senators Tammy Baldwin, Cory Booker, and Jeff Merkley.
 - c. It was agreed for the board to attend the LGBT CSA Canadian Embassy event, with more details to come.
 - d. Adam Henderson proposed planning a military panel about the anniversary of the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy in the fall.
 - i. Justin Laufer agreed this was a good idea, and suggested that the group start planning now so there is no overlap with other staff organizations on similar topics.
 - e. Adam Henderson also suggested that GLASS host a marriage equality Supreme Court event.
 - i. Justin Laufer proposed that the group get speakers from CRS, HRC, or similar organizations to speak.
4. Mentorship Program
 - a. Brian Conlan announced that there were three mentee applications and two new mentor applications.
 - b. It was recommended to place a notice for the program high in the order on the next email blast.
5. Dues

- a. It was announced that a total of \$295 had been paid in dues so far. Some people paid more than required.
6. Transition
- a. It was discussed that the names on the accounts was an issue. The name on the account is from a former member who has since left GLASS and the Senate.
 - b. To avoid future problems, it was agreed to write a check for the total amount in the bank account and then create a new bank account for GLASS.
 - i. Adam Henderson proposed that there should be a handover everyone year with the names on the accounts.
7. Website / Social Media
- a. Andrew Fuentes gave an update for the new logo on the website, which would not include a “10 year anniversary” text.
 - b. It was agreed that there would be an announcement introducing new members of the board.
 - c. Julian Miller discussed putting the Meeting Minutes on the website as well as making new emails for the site.
8. Elections
- a. The need to elect co-chairs, a Secretary, and Treasurer was brought up.
 - b. Justin Laufer nominated Julian Miller as a co-chair.
 - i. Adam Henderson and Joseph Lindblad seconded. The nomination was agreed to unanimously by the board.
 - c. Julian Miller nominated Justin Laufer as a co-chair.
 - i. Adam Henderson seconded. The nomination was agreed to unanimously by the board.
 - d. Andrew Fuentes nominated Andrew Shine as Secretary.
 - i. Justin Laufer seconded. The nomination was agreed to unanimously by the board.

- e. Justin Laufer nominated Mario Semiglia as Treasurer.
 - i. Joseph Lindblad seconded. The nomination was agreed to unanimously by the board.
- 9. The next GLASS Steering Committee Meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2015 in Senator Baldwin's conference room.
 - a. It was agreed that the next meeting would discuss program directors and standing orders.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm.