

Social Work Student Association

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date 13 January 2014

Location Social Work Resource Room (B163)

Time 11:30 am

Attendees Sara Thiessen, Sita Merrifield, Rae Campbell, Shaylene MacDonald-Dyer, Sarah Clay (Skype), Nicole Meister, Nicole Stevenson, Chad Dumaine

Absent Ashlee Fruson

Meeting Called to Order: 11:41

Motion to Accept Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by: Sita

Seconded by: Rae

Motion to Accept the Agenda:

Moved by: Shaylene

Seconded by: Nicole S.

Business:

1. Meeting Time
 - a. Keep at Mondays 11:45 am – only day that most people can make it
2. CASWE Conference – May 26-29, 2014
 - a. \$1200 to give to either one student or split between 2 students
 - b. Grants available for advanced learning
 - c. Sara T. may be presenting at CASWE
 - d. Sarah C. to figure out individual costs for attending CASWE
3. Events to plan
 - a. Pub Night
 - i. At Finnegan's – have a guide for putting it together
 - ii. Rae will review the guide
 - b. Clothing Drive
 - i. Warm Zone / Salvation Army
 - c. Food Drive
 - i. Low on food donations

- d. BBQ
 - i. Get food donated from different companies
 - ii. Look at doing at Save-On or Safeway
 - iii. Maybe include Krispy Kream Donuts
- e. Light Up the Night Walk
 - i. Was run last year by SWSA 2013 with CNIB
 - ii. Want to run it again this year
- f. Samosa Sale
 - i. Very profitable and popular
- g. Grad Night / Faculty Dinner
 - i. Not sure what this would look like – Shaylene will look into this
- h. Student / Faculty Social
 - i. Not monthly but good way to get students connected to faculty – helps students understand what the faculty is looking for and trying to build in the programs
- i. Get SWSA Out There
 - i. Introduction to SWSA in Social Work classes (Diploma and BSW)
 - ii. Newsletter – previous SWSAs have done it before – part of our constitution – make it electronic and email to students
- 4. Non-Violent Seminar
 - a. SWSA 2013 member Jill – her father presented this seminar
 - b. Was cancelled last year – was going to be run on a Saturday
 - c. Shaylene to email Jill about the seminar
- 5. SWSA Questionnaire for new BSW students
 - a. Good way to introduce them to SWSA
 - b. Mentorship – BSW students mentor Diploma students – or information sessions for Diploma students to find out more about BSW program – open house – meet and greet with Faculty and BSW / Diploma students
 - c. BSW students mentored through community social workers – could be a challenge and may infringe on Lucki's position – could be similar to a practicum – not going to move forward with this
 - d. Email to all students – via Laura Tryhuk
 - e. Consensus to move forward with the questionnaire
- 6. Suggestion Box
 - a. For those who cannot attend the meetings
 - b. Leave in the resource room or Social Work office
- 7. Networking Night
 - a. Bring upcoming grads together with organizations / agencies hiring
- 8. "Arrest" day
 - a. People pay to have friends "arrested" and placed in a fake jail for 10 minutes
 - b. People can bribe you to get out of jail

9. Fresh Air Cinema
 - a. Sell popcorn and run movies that people can watch outside in the summer

Review of Roles & Responsibilities:

1. President: Shaylene
2. Vice President: Sita
3. Secretary: Nicole M.
4. Treasurer: Sarah C.
5. Fundraising Coordinator: Rae
 - a. Shaylene to send Rae letter template for contacting organizations
 - b. Martin Kelly from SUS good resource for setting up events
6. Faculty Rep: Nicole S.
7. BCASW Rep: Ashlee
8. Clubs & Groups Coordinator: Chad
 - a. Chad to come up with a list of responsibilities
 - b. Shaylene to email current responsibilities
9. TBD: Sara T.
 - a. Would like to work on expanding global awareness or international social work
 - b. Sara to come up with a list of responsibilities
 - c. Shaylene to email current responsibilities as a template

Other Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Shaylene and Sarah C. going to the bank Thursday to update the account signatories – will email account balance to SWSA members and provide update on cost of attending CASWE

Clubs & Groups Coordinator Report:

Chad – searched through different groups on campus – find different ways to work with other groups to help raise money – suggested working with Psychology and Sociology groups – UFV Pride group – Chad to send out feelers to different groups

Faculty Rep Report:

Discussions about BSW program schedule for Fall 2014 and Winter 2015 – Summer 2014 already set – lobbied for offering Mental Health and Disability classes in the semester – funding for CASWE

VP of Finance Ryan Peterson – BSW not a declared major so we do not get funding for our program – Nicole S. to discuss this issue with him

Sita to pick up funding package from SUS and drop off student club registration package

NEXT MEETING

Date 27 January 2014

Time 11:45 am

Location B163 (SW Resource Room)

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Moved by: Shaylene

Seconded by: Sita

Meeting Adjourned: 12:42 pm