

Meeting Minutes:

University of the Fraser Valley Social Work Student Association (SWSA)

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Location: A Building – Room 165, UFV Abbotsford Campus

Date: September 6, 2012

Time: 11:35 pm – 12:51 pm

In attendance: Aislinn Ivey, Katherine Palmateer, Johanna Morrison, Stephanie Van Dyke, Julie Burk

Sending Regrets: Sara Smith

Motion to begin meeting: Aislinn, seconded by Johanna

Motion to accept minutes from previous agenda: Aislinn, seconded by Johanna

Motion to accept new agenda: Aislinn, seconded by Stephanie

Old Business/Carry Forward

- A summer rotating chair sort of worked under the president's absence – some members chaired multiple meetings while others did none.
- There were no summer events besides the BSW graduate dinner. SWSA has not heard any news or feedback from the event; Julie will look into how the event went.
- General Meeting- only four non-executive SWSA members attended and they were all diploma students. The BSW and diploma orientation advertising seemed to work as that is how they heard about the General Meeting and SWSA.
- BSW orientation was a difficult and intimidating way to advertise SWSA, was suggested that 5-10 minute interruptions to talk to individual classes might be more beneficial.
- Was agreed that the Code of Conduct is no longer necessary to be signed by SWSA members as the new constitution already details appropriate SWSA conduct.
- Jodie has the SWSA resource binder.
- SWSA (305) Board is still not up, Stephanie will inquire about it on the next faculty meeting.

Reports

a) Student Advisor (Katherine):

- Several upcoming events are being held on campus:
 - September 6: SUSpocalypse
 - September 7: Chilliwack Library and Learning Commons Celebration
 - September 7: Humans vs Zombies
 - September 7-8: Cascades soccer
 - September 10: Welcome Back to UFV barbeque
 - September 12-13: CHILLpocalypse
 - September 14: Aftermath party
 - September 20: Chilliwack campus open house
 - September 23: Free film

September 27: Voices for Peace Concert

October 6: SAUS hike

- Agendas are not free this year but are selling for 1\$.
- UHouse community garden has herbs and apples that are ready to be picked, students can drop by and help themselves.
- Pride will be having weekly drop-ins in room F110, located in the UHouse, on Thursdays from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm.
- SOLAR group does Tuesday movie nights at 6:45 pm in the theatre.
- UHouse will be hosting community dinners for 2\$. The date and times are still to be announced.

b) Faculty Representative (Stephanie):

- Next meeting is 9:15 am, Friday September 7, 2012.

c) BCASW Representative (Johanna):

- BCASW Conference is on November 1st-3rd, 2012.
- Does SWSA receive any funding for the conference for a student to attend? How would we receive funding? – Johanna will ask.
- Once we know if SWSA has money to fund a student, the opportunity should be advertised.
- If no funding is received, SWSA may still be able to fund a student out of our funds.

d) Fundraising Coordinator (Julie):

- No new business

e) Treasurer (Sara):

- Not present for meeting, no new business.

New Business:

- SWSA needs an official calendar of executive member free time to better arrange schedules- Katherine has agreed to take this on.
- Uncertainty on whether the student body knows how to approach SWSA.
- The Social Services Resource Room should be for drop-in unless booked- Stephanie will ask about this on the next faculty meeting.
- Samosas were a great seller as a fundraiser, should do another event like this but order more as there were not nearly enough the last time- will do pre-order forms and order triple that amount. Will also not focus so much on drinks and napkins.
- The Warm Zone is shutting down – SWSA wants to make fundraising for the Warm Zone a focus for this semester. All the money raised by SWSA this semester will go towards the Warm Zone or related initiatives. SWSA must advertise this initiative to the student body. Can we ask the university to match what we raise? Ask other UFV clubs to join in the initiative. Aislinn will ask the Warm Zone what we can do to support them.

- Newsletter is needed for the last week of October.
- Election of new executive members should be done before finals in November, SWSA needs to be advertising this well in advance.
- More promotion of SWSA events should be done using Facebook groups and events.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Stephanie, seconded by Jodie