

LGBT Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes (Revised)  
February 13, 2006, 2:00 pm  
Bolton Hall, Room B-72

Present: Todd Biedermann, Michele Bolduc, Michael Doyle, Yves LaPierre, Justin Mayer, Sarah Morgan, Bri Smith, Janice Warren. Excused: Peter Rosenblatt, Beth Warner. Absent: Cheryl Andres, Moreen Carvan. Guest: Anthony Lemelle

I. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.

II. Membership Changes.

Michelle announced that Peter Rosenblatt has asked for a leave of absence for the remainder of the current semester. Michael Doyle, a non-teaching academic staff representative, has agreed to assume Peter's position.

III. Introductions.

Committee members introduced themselves to Associate Vice Chancellor Anthony Lemelle.

IV. Review of Initiatives and Activities for 2005-2006.

The following suggestions were made by the committee for possible tasks and activities:

- Revision of Committee By-laws.
- Representation on the Chancellor's Council on Inclusion.
- Sponsorship of informational forums on proposed Marriage Amendment.
- Domestic Partner Benefits for UWM employees.
- Statistical analysis of data collected in a survey of women's (and related LGBT) issues on campus.

V. Review of Past Initiatives and Activities.

- Establishment of "Gender Neutral" restrooms on campus.
- Inclusion of "Gender ID" in the University's protected status.
- Reporting of anti-gay graffiti in campus restrooms.

VI. Discussion by Anthony Lemelle

- Review on "climate" in U.S.
- 2006-2007 Survey on LGBT issues.
- Dr. Lemelle commented that committee's concerns must be voiced to campus administration.
- Needs to be more horizontal organization among groups – all groups must support each other.
- Administration must take a stand on preservation of current benefits.

- Committee should request a vote by Council on Inclusion on statements that would be issued by Council on Inclusion. Would then go forward to the Chancellor who would take a stand on the issues.

VII. Legislative Forum

- Sub-committee will meet to set dates for fall 2006 forums.
- Recommendation was made to have forums focus less on politics, and more on families.

VIII. Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Mayer