OUTspoken Board Meeting
February 26th, 2015

Lydia motions to open at 6:37

- Minutes approval (Lydia)
  - Change to the spelling from “RITga” to “ritGA”
  - Changes made (Matt)
- Action items review (Lydia)
  - Finance committee attendance, this week was canceled
  - Promoting the leadership series
    - Distribute the OUTspoken Constitution
  - Supporting Tigress outside the meetings
- President’s roundtable (Ryah)
  - Issue of distribution of swag; people not attending only for getting things
  - Being mindful of giveaways without incentivising
  - ROOTS financial support and club promotion
    - Moving the event to the Spring
    - Changing the name of ROOTS for a better fit
    - Hosting booths instead of rides
  - Leadership series; “Be Infinite”, related to Connectology
    - Saturday March 14th 2015 8:30-5
    - OUTspoken can sponsor attendance (Lydia)
  - Lack of RIT spirit (Ryah)
    - To be discussed at Q Senate (Lydia)
- OUTspoken email has been revived (Ryah)
  - Add the Outlook account to the Drive (Lydia)
  - Importance of logging out of the account (Ryah)
  - Matt to set-up forwarding from outspkn to outspoken (Ryah)
- OUTspoken announcements at the clubs
  - Introduce OUTspoken to Tangent (Ryah)
    - Tangent wants activism
  - Labrys has not had an announcement made, yet (Vannah)
- Finance meeting with Carol Reed (Lydia)
  - Was told to meet with Henry regarding the budget (Vannah)
    - Lydia is to figure out who is responsible for the budget (Lydia)
- In-progress shopping list with prices and locations
  - The list is made and compiled (Vannah)
  - Consensus is needed
    - Discussion of Mac or PC; designers do not mind (Ilyssa, Sean)
    - Computer software research (Vannah)
- Follow-up on “Recognition Experts”; no response
- T-shirt count (Ilyssa)
  - Small 4
● Q Center NELGBTQ+ collaboration (Lydia)
  - Request for a meeting (Vannah, Keil)
    - Vannah contact Ben and Adrian (Lydia)
● Follow-up with SG about sexual assault program (Lydia)
  - No response (Keil)
  - ImagineRIT sign-up (Lydia)
    - Deadline is April 1st (Keil)
    - To be brought to Q Senate
● PawPrints update (Lydia)
  - Gender neutral bathroom petition has qualified (Sean)
    - Adding those queer petitions to our website for support
● Agenda to prioritize Q Senate updates (Lydia)
● Setting-up a MailChimp account (Lydia)
  - Problems at first, to be done (Sean)
● Pages update (Lydia)
  - Publicizing our meeting, office hours and leadership series time (Sean)
  - Waiting for images from Ilyssa
  - A layout has been set for the website
● Meeting time (Ryah)
  - Board meetings are 6:30 until 8:30 every Thursday (Lydia)
● Collect profile pictures from the Board
  - Send in a professional face picture before next Board meeting (Ryah)
  - Board group picture (Ryah)
    - Color discussion; black lettering and colored shirts (Keil, Sean, Lydia)
● Leadership series poster (Lydia)
  - Issues for this week’s (Ilyssa)
● Office Hours poster (Lydia)
  - In-progress, can be sent later tonight (Ilyssa)
  - Not everyone’s are submitted
● Re-designing the office, not a huge project (Lydia)
  - We need to add to the beige landscape (Keil)
● Update OUTspoken informational brochure (Lydia)
  - New information needs to be added to the old brochure
● Drafting a new t-shirt design (Lydia)
  - Not mentioned at the last meeting
  - Keil will help (Keil)
  - Vannah must be in the loop regarding pricing for designs (Vannah)
● SG meeting report (Lydia)
  - Gender neutral bathroom petition assigned to housing (Val)
    - In conflict with reality; re-discussed at Q Senate
• ITS to create a portal for everything; suggested name changes

• Q Senate meeting report (Lydia)
  ○ Gender neutral bathroom petition issues (Val)
  □ Everyone was assigned to buildings to collect data
  □ Pictures and locations with information to be submitted to Ryah
  □ Re-petitioning to SG Senate on the floor
  ○ Assigned people to speak at club meetings
  ○ Feedback from ritGA (Lydia)
    □ Picture of the board of feedback received (Ryah)
    □ Strong push for community building activities (Lydia)

• Setting the Agenda for Q Senate (Lydia)
  ○ Our email is up, that information needs to be submitted 24 hours prior (Matt)

• Facebook page administration changes (Lydia)
  ○ Adam to give permission; Ryah, too (Ryah)

• Introducing OUTspoken to ritGA and Spectrum (Lydia)
  ○ Spectrum, Labrys and Tigress have not been attended

• Office Hours (Lydia)
  ○ Finalized with Matt’s (Matt)

• Checking hiring via Kronos (Lydia)

• Agenda items are due and to be reported at the Board (Lydia)

• Task force (Ryah)
  ○ Bathroom search throughout all buildings
  ○ Information compiled in a spreadsheet
  ○ Support on social media regarding gender neutral bathrooms
    □ Hearsay
    ○ Signage varies; petitioning to change signage, too? (Ryah, Matt)
      □ Yes, signage and bathrooms themselves
    ○ Pictures are still binaric (Ryah)
    ○ Blueprints and reality are in dissonance; academic and dorm sides

• Met the new staffperson for CWAG who will sit at Q Senate (Lydia)
  ○ Darcii suggested finding a faculty advisor to work with the administrative
    □ Administrative advisor tackles budgeting, Kronos, etc.
    □ Faculty advisor focuses more socially, communally
  ○ Considered Thomas Warfield
  ○ Important to have a lasting energy
  ○ However, an ally may be more objective and helpful
    □ Colette Shaw to be contacted (Val)
    □ Dr. Johnson, too (Lydia)

• Importance of being supportive, not overworking

Lydia motions to close at 7:40