

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

LGBTQIA+ CAMPUS CLIMATE COMMITTEE

Friday February 14, 2025 12-1pm via Zoom https://csulb.zoom.us/j/81558965062

- I. Call to Order- 12:03 SD asked to move the minutes to Canvas for easier viewing by all
- II. Approval of Meeting Agenda- moved by STB, seconded and approved
- III. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2024- moved by AK, seconded and approved
- IV. Updates from Chris Fowler, Chief of Staff and Director of Strategic Initiatives for the Office of the President- CF presents on news from the current Federal administration. Any time now an email from the President will be coming reaffirming our commitment to all students including Queer and undocumented and DACA students. The overall environment on speaking to not alert the current federal administration. There is one intention against San Jose State for a member of volleyball that was transgender. Many teams refused to compete against this team. The Dept. of Ed was working with this campus to ensure things were being handled appropriately. As soon as the new Admiration took over, they made a statement that they are investigating SJ State. The intention of our campus is to not do anything to change the way we operate, will continue with DEIA initiatives and continuing our work. We are not changing what we are doing, only changing the way we talk about things. The forthcoming email will not include any mention of changing pronouns, as this may be picked up by the federal administration. Not pushing this information out in a public way now. This is very difficult for C. Fowler to state this. This is the nature of the world we now live in. President Conoley is still supporting all DEIA efforts on campus, there may be some name changes going forward. The work will continue. KC states that CAPS historically do all work that is now under federal microscope. She asks if we will get in "trouble" for workshops or groups going forward. CF says no activities will be slowed, stopped. They are just not going to be announced publicly. The work is even more necessary now and should not be stopped, CF states. LHP asks if funds will be allocated for legal fees if needed. Why are we choosing an anticipatory obedience, rather than resistance? CF states the stakes are 60% of students are here on Pell, if the funds disappear, we lose 60% of students. Our campus would be a shell of itself. This institution may cease to exist if federal funds disappear. S Dozier asks about boundaries, and how far we can go. CF says our general counsel office is conservative due to the number of lawyers employed with regards to the number of counsels at the UC. Our current University counsel is conservative. President Conoley is a strong positional leader, and dislikes slippery slope arguments. CF encourages attending next Wednesday open forum for the Presidential Search. CF says President Conoley needs to hear stories about challenges students are facing. The best way to reach the President is to send her an email. KP asks if the CO interpretation of the anti-trans orders, gender ideology, what is the attitude of the CO, and what may be our potential response. CF states we follow California state law; our process may change very little if at all. KC asks of the effect on our students. Please communicate this to President Conoley. LHP asks about student protests and if TPM could get them in legal trouble. CF says this has not been addressed due to lack of time due to other issues. RP suggest collecting statements to present to the campus administration, and perhaps share with Congressman Robert Garcia. KP asks if this could be a collaboration with

TQFSA.. KP states students may submit anonymously.

## V. Ongoing Business

- A. HIV/AIDS Annual Initiative- an email coming soon regarding this.
  - i. Spring Programming
  - ii. Ŵebsite
- **B.** Trans Week of Joy Collaboration and Support- AP states the mixer is with TQFSA, a name and gender change clinic coming.
  - i. Trans Wellness Conference- working on a fun title for this. L. Jensen will host through rainbow café any student stories to be shared. Starting small and it may extend to regional campuses nearby. K. Perkins is keynote, 11-12 in the CPaCE room. How to navigate media to preserve sense of intimacy for those who attend. Book drive forthcoming, table at CAPS to collect. Having this event will be important to students currently feeling invisible. May 9, 5-8 pm is Lavender Graduation, a volunteer form will be forthcoming. Queer prom date TBA. Glam closet for clothing swaps will be included.

## VI. Announcements and Updates

- A. TQFSA updates
- B. LGBTQ Student Resource Center updates

## VII. Adjournment- move to adjourn by AP, seconded, AK. 1:01

Meetings are Held the 2nd Friday of each month from 12-1pm during the regularly scheduled semester.

Present: A. Kinsey, K. Perkins, S. Trexler-Brandon, F. Adamites, A. Preston, S. Dozier, K. Sanderson, R. Pacheco, A. Nazarian-Peters, I. Obert, A. Luksetich, M. Williams, C. Fowler, J. Legace, M. Wrapp, Preeti, Sharma, L. House-Peters, C. Sayed, C. Bracho, D. Perrone, K. Chun, C. Sayed, M. Sanchez-Reyes, L. Jensen

Absent: C. Sover,, , E. Bernal, B. Veal