

## KP Meeting Minutes

14 February 2007

*Special Valentine's Day Edition*



### Introductions

- Name, If you could be on any game show, what would it be?

### Announcements

- Support Group
- 'Today in Pride News' -- 'Exclusion for Religious Schools Struck From Iowa Gay Bully Bill', 'Students Rally for Fired Transgender Teacher' - Spring Arbor, MI, CA Woman handing out 'certificates of inequality' – Andrew will write to her to get a copy for the group. Logo CBS News– Gay issues among young people. *City Lights*, Matthew Shepherd murder presentation.

### Committees

- **Activism/Education/ Pride Week:** Emergency Comedian (Comedienne) Discussion – Elvira booked another show during Pride Week. Substitute for Judy Gold, normally \$10,000 a performance, but may do us a favor and drop the price. Susan Wessenhoffer instead? If both fall through, speaker John Corvino can find something to substitute.
- *Wisecrack* presentation of Judy Gold on projector.
- Vote: If we cannot get Judy Gold, try for Susanne or John? Might not be able to get John Corvino, MUB money was allocated for a "comedian," not a speaker. Discussion/Vote next week/over e-mail.
- PR: Need press release soon.
- **Gay? Fine By Me:** Dave is setting up meetings with IFC, IRHC, and with President Mroz, but could not attend tonight's meeting.

### E-Board

- **President:** Scent-Free Policy for BGC. No perfumes, cologne, or anything scented to respect people will allergies.
- **VP:** We have vans set for BGC.
- **Treasurer:** Set for BGC. Check is deposited. Limit is raised for weekend.
- **Secretary:** Application for Office Space Reevaluation is complete.
- **PR:** T-shirts are ordered, but will be late. Not in time for BGC. Picture will be sent out over the list. Camera to take Lincoln's picture for the website. Articles for *Queerzine*. Need articles or else there won't be a *Queerzine*—done before Spring Break
- **Social Whatever:** *Angels in America* after meeting, Buttons—will be cutting them out while watching Angels.
- **Advisors:**
  - **Phopp:** BGC (*old business*)
  - **Nancy:** *Happy Valentine's Day!* Making plan to have two workshops this semester – one for answering the question: "Why be an ally?" and define terms, during Pride Week. Safe Place event, so there should not be any supervisors or professors of students to pressure or harm anyone. Second—to be decided.
  - **Marg:** (*Not present*) *Happy Valentine's Day!*

### Old Business

- Collection for Shawn, will collect again for the next couple of weeks. Will be given second week of March or so, with KP's name.

- Who for our round table? Talked with the International Film Festival—*Boy I Am* is a go. They would like to show the movie the Sunday of Pride Week, the 25<sup>th</sup>. (Film is a documentary about a female-to-male transgender person) We must pay for the showing with our budget, but it is doable, \$275. Need to add to poster.
- BGC – Meet at 7:00 am to be in Bruce’s Crossing at 8:00 am, rendezvous point. Be at Twin Cities by 12:00 -1:00 pm. Phopp will driving big van, Jeff the smaller van. BGC rules: all same rules apply, like class trip with third grade class. Participate! Wake up! Gail will be giving a workshop Saturday morning at 9:00 am. Passed out to select few of the secret, secret BGC itinerary (from Nick Rosencrans). Probably will return home 9-10 pm Sunday night. Can leave cars at Phopp’s house. Five rooms total, one with Phopp plus all the extra drama (for those who cannot handle their roommates). Listing of vans and rooms. Max capacity of large van is ten, small van is seven (Tech rules). Rooms are in Phopp’s name. Take appropriate action if necessary.
- Be nice to alumni at BGC – we may get money!
- K.P. is the fourth largest group—26 total!
- (Van drivers control music...bring headphones if desired...)

### New Business

- Resource center – Location? Opted not for the Canterbury House. Should we put it in the library? Stigma—the “gay section.” Another E-Board position to manage may be required.
  - Once in the library, we will lose control.
  - Check condition of books, may be defaced.
  - Should not be in C-House, should be *on-campus*.
  - Office needed.
  - Supervisor must be dedicated.
  - We could take over the Blue Key Office, replace it with a “Diversity Section” in the Student Org office of the MUB.
- LeaderShape – Jason’s goal was to create diversity area—Andrew will look into this.
- LSSU Conference – Cassandra sent the list an e-mail. Plan another mini conference with OUTLook and KP.
  - Late-March bad time.
  - Next semester, fall?
  - Centrally located? Just need a few KP members.
  - They need us! We shouldn’t wait too long.
  - Keep eye out for NW people at BGC.
- Budget – From Mel and Mel, would like approval to submit by Monday.
  - Needs changes (ex): New section in budget; food for the comedian was donations. Avoid the wordage “Entertainment.”
  - Phopp bought us three domain names, as well as server space.
  - Three events also need sound and lighting—add to budget.
  - Donations that we sent: T-shirts for speakers, DVDs for drag queens. The more we put in, the more we may get!
  - Conference is vital. We will need continual funding. Next year it will be in Illinois, so it will cost even more.
  - Vote on budget: Motion to approve budget by unanimous consent (Bryan); seconded (Ox). Approved.
- Arts Festival volunteers – Once we have all the information, we will have a sign-up for volunteers. We need to get a sign-up as soon as possible!
- Alumni community – Jared created the first alumni group. If you know any LGBT alumni, whether or not they were involved with KP or were out then or not, contact them and ask them to join. If KP is interested, we may ask for money from the Alumni. First send out a formal letter. We have a list of

50+ names. Suzanne Waite who works for Ford—hit her up! Jared is in charge of Alumni groups—[kpalum-l \[AT\] mtu \[DOT\] edu](mailto:kpalum-l@mtu.edu).

- Alex created the chalking fund, but no one was ever found. \$2,200 was the balance, but as of today, there is \$4,300—nearly twice as much (according to Tech Fund). We will probably use the balance for the Resource Center. If so, we will need Andrew and the PR chairs to write (many) letters explaining where the patrons' money is going.
- Motion to adjourn (Bryan); seconded (Nich).