

## **COSW Minutes**

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**Present:** Nancy Barr, Mimi Bell, Beth Boehm, James Brown, Phyllis Clark, Sam Connally, Pamela Feldhoff, Andi Gobin, Bob Goldstein, Guerrero, Brenda Hart, Marcia Hern, Michele Kosiewicz, Ann Larson, Amy Lueck, Kenyatta Martin, Melissa Moutardier, Bridgett Pregliasco, Gale Rhodes, Mordean Taylor-Archer and Tammi Thomas   **Guests:** Kenny Brown, Sally Evans , Wayne Hall and Mary Elizabeth Miles

**Absent:** Sherry Duffy, Barbara Hanger, Amy Reid, Casia Horseman, Georgette Moore, David Owen, Nancy Theriot

**Campus Climate Update:** Tammi Thomas reported that she, Ann Larson and Valerie met with Sam Connally and Larry Owsley to discuss Title IX. They agreed to continue to keep the commission up to date on progress.

The Ad Hoc Camps Climate Committee met to begin to review the data for the Campus Climate/Diversity report. The next meeting has not been scheduled yet.

**Communication Committee:** The Communications Committee reported that we will be sending an email out to all the Commission Chairpersons requesting information for the upcoming newsletter. We hope to publish by March.

### **RRR Update:**

- RRR is working on updating the bylaws and the recommended bylaw changes.
- Reported on status of Enid Trucios-Hayes application to HERS which the COSW will support and fund.

### **PEACC Report - January 2013**

- **Victim Contacts July-December 2012:** 39 reports
- **Presentations within UofL July – December 2012:** 119 presentations/events
- **UofL Research Collaborations:** Understanding the Relationship of Self-Reports of Rape Myth Acceptance, Bystander Behavior, Bystander Efficacy, and Empathy in the Average College Student: A Follow-Up Study to Inform Bystander Intervention Efforts for Violence Prevention, Olivia E. Fellows, University of Louisville. (Dept of Psychology)
  - This is the second study we have performed on our Green Dot Bystander Program. The evidence from these studies demonstrates that after participating in the program, students rate higher on the empathy scale, and feel more confident in their ability to intervene in a situation to have a positive outcome.
- \* Peer Versus Profession Trainers: Educating fraternities about rape and sexual assault, Melani Duvall, B.A., Eastern Kentucky University, 2009. (Dept of Sociology)

- “The peer educators chosen for this program were well trained and experienced. Their voluntary involvement with Men of PEACC shows a steady level of devotion to the issue of violence against women. This involvement has also provided them extensive training and mentoring by experts in the field on how to educate men about this issue. They have received training from the Center for Women and Families, Louisville's domestic violence shelter and rape crisis program, and have had training on bystander intervention using the Green Dot model. Rus Funk (from MensWork) has also worked with the men in regards to Men of PEACC initiatives. These men have extensive knowledge about sexual assault and are well-versed on the subject. Due to their prior experience as peer educators, they are veterans in this field. “
  - As a result of this project, we have an agreement with the Inter Fraternity Council to offer mandatory violence prevention training for fraternity members in 2012-2013.
- \* Currently, Deborah Keeling, Justice Administration and graduate assistant are working on an honors thesis that will examine the gaps in domestic violence services for students in dating relationships. Fall 2012, 2013
- The results from this research survey would support the need for the dating violence bill in KY.
- **State Lobbying:** Request to President Ramsey to support the Teen Dating Violence Bill in KY Legislature. Currently many of our students do not meet the requirements for protection (married, lived together, or had a child in common).
    - Met with Dana Mayton (for President Ramsey) and Marta Miranda, to advocate for Teen Dating Violence Bill in KY Legislature.
    - Prepared a draft for key points for lobbying, Feb 2012
  - **Benchmarking:** PEACC has been working on a benchmark study this year. Results are not yet complete. We are looking at: staffing, resources, integration systems, student conduct process, Amnesty policies, collaboration with community centers, mandatory education, and Title IX response.

### **CODRE Update**

- Thanks to Dr. Boehm-SIGS—the funding for the amount of money will be able to award CODRE grants will be \$2000 for this year.
- Thanks to Dr. Feldhoff--Undergraduate grants approved funding of \$3,000 The EVPRI Office will support up to three undergraduate students for a maximum of \$1,000 to support their faculty mentored research projects. These awards will be granted on a competitive basis.

- Communication Committee update—web page is being revised to Plone 4 with target date for completion in February, 2013.
- CODRE membership update—Nominating Committee-Adhoc Committee Chair Vicki Bridgeman

No other reports were submitted.