NIOT Subcommittee Meeting Summary
April 7, 2014
201 Bowen-Thompson Student Union (2 – 4pm)
BGSU Campus

Attendance:
Vicky Kulicke  Cyndie Roberts  Mary Beth Zachary  Kristin Brewer
Dan Boyle  Ray Plaza  Vivienne Felix  Barbara Keller
Susana Peña  Tobias Spears  Mary Kruger  Gabrielle Merandi
Patty Helyer  Erin Baker  Sarah Swegan  Casey Swick
Sidney Childs  Jan McKnight  Clint Corpe  Eric Juzkiw
Lauren Lochotzki

Meeting call to Order – 2:00 pm

I. Welcome
Meeting called to order by Vicky Kulicke

(Due to other commitments, this piece was shifted toward the top of the agenda)

II. One Year Anniversary – Part One
• Draft of flyer passed out for feedback and edits
• Details regarding the first of the day’s events – Diversity Showcase explained. Event to be held in the 228 BTSU (Multipurpose Room) from 12 – 2 to feature variety of performers as well as information tables. If anyone is interested in having a table at the Showcase, please indicate with an asterisk by your name in the sign-in sheet.
• Also looking for volunteers to help cover shifts during the following:
  o Fri. April 11th from 12 – 2  Union Oval
  o Mon. April 14th from 12 – 2  Union Oval
  o Tuesday, April 15th 12 – 2  at Multipurpose Room (BTSU)
  o Tuesday, April 15th 5 -7 at Olscamp 113
• For the Tuesday evening event need help with set-up, putting up banners as well as individuals willing to be a part of social media team that will be tweeting from the event

III. Review Minutes from the March 21, 2014 meeting
Minutes were shared via the List-serv. No changes/corrections submitted at the meeting.
IV. Updates from working groups

a. Outreach Initiatives (Casey)
   i. Reached out to leadership of USG and the Collective to get student input and feedback on ways to enhance, expand outreach efforts

b. Education and Programming (Tobias)
   i. iStand continues to be the most popular of the programs. Now taking place on a regular basis. The program is a collaboration between the Center for Leadership and the Office of Multicultural Affairs. Noted that this program was nominated for outstanding collaboration for the Student Affairs Awards program.
   ii. Tobias indicated that he would be sharing the data from the iStand assessments at a future meeting.
   iii. Noted that different groups continue to program around NIOT efforts, examples such as the upcoming Rainbow Days that lists the NIOT logo as well as one year anniversary events

c. Marketing and Public Relations (Ray)
   i. Pledge Cards: Due to funding from Coke, now have supply of pledge cards and an additional banner that can be used. Thanks to Eric for coordinating the request.
   ii. T-Shirts:
      1. BGSU Bookstore has agreed to work with the group and sell the new NIOT T-shirts. Due to seed money, initial order placed and Bookstore has added additional numbers. Shirts would be available for $9.99 and includes both the city and BGSU logos.
      2. Desire for individuals to wear the new shirts for the NIOT events on April 15th. A number of shirts will be raffled away during the event from 5 – 7pm.
      3. The partnership with the Bookstore allows us to not worry about cash handling. The proceeds of the shirts will help fund future efforts/items.
   iii. Window Clings:
      1. Due to a request, window clings in the design of the pledge cards were designed and ordered. The costs of the clings is being split equally among both the BG Police and BGSU Police departments.
      2. The window clings conform to Ohio State Law on the sizes of window decals permitted on cars.
      3. At this point, clings would be free. No decision made if clings would be sold at a later time.
   iv. Outdated Posters
      1. Noted that some of the Posters from last Spring are still displayed on campus but have no year attached. Request made to take those down or to cover up that date information. Concern that individuals may see
and go to events on April 17th thinking that it is this year. Working on developing a new set of posters.

V. Follow-up Issues
a. Ad Hoc Committee from Residence Life on statement for Landlords on West Wooster
   i. Dan noted that meeting scheduled for Monday, April 14th at 1pm in the Offenhauer East Conference Room.
   ii. Requested that if anyone had resources, terminology, etc., to please pass along so that the group can consider

VI. Campus Co-Chair Update – Vicky
a. NIOT Event on April 15th from 5 – 7pm in Olscamp 113
   i. Flyer being finalized and will go out later this week via the listservs and hard copies
   ii. Both President Mazey and Mayor Edwards will be in attendance
   iii. Tobias is coordinating the thank you piece of the program. If you know of anyone or an organization/department that has done something with NIOT, please contact Tobias
   iv. Banner would also be available for signing. Request made to consider additional ways for individuals to note their commitment beyond just a banner.
      1. Suggestions included some type of “guest book” or NIOT journal where individuals can write their thoughts. Open to any suggestions and ideas.
   v. Noted that Lisa Hanasono through her class is developing a photo snapshot effort, where individuals will hold up a sign and have their pictures taken.

   i. The National group is coordinating their own efforts in meeting with individuals in the community. There itinerary is not yet finalized.
   ii. Vicky and Barbara will be meeting with them during their visit

c. BG NIOT Film
   i. A special preview screening of the BG NIOT film will take place on Thursday, April 10th from 11:30 am – 1pm in 315 BTSU.
   ii. Special thanks to WBGU for their efforts.

d. 88.1 FM
   i. Opportunity to utilize local radio stations like 88.1 FM to showcase and highlight NIOT efforts.
   ii. Special thanks to Clint for attending today’s meeting

e. Volunteers for NIOT events:
   i. A follow-up from the earlier comments in the beginning of the meeting of the different events and volunteer needs.
   ii. Explanation about the “Breaking Down the Walls” concept and how it would work.
1. Recommendation made that the tearing down should happen at the conclusion of the 5-7 event instead of the next day.

f. Upcoming Related Diversity Programs:
   i. Inaugural Asian American Heritage Week
      1. Events begin on April 11th and continue through April 24th
      2. Designed to raise awareness and increase visibility of needs of the Asian American Community
   ii. Rainbow Days
      1. Begins on Sunday, April 13th and runs through Saturday, April 19th
      2. Consists of various events including the Lavender Graduation ceremony on April 16th from 5 -6:30pm, Mas-queer-ade on that Friday and the Not So Straight Skate on Saturday night.
      3. Also consists of launch of new Safe Zone format with a presentation at the Firelands campus.
   iii. Colors of a Falcon
      1. Coordinated by the Multicultural Greek Council in collaboration with the Black Student Union (BSU), Latino Student Union (LSU), VISION and the World Student Association (WSA)
      2. To be held on Tuesday, April 8th from 7 – 8pm in the Ballroom –B.
      3. Keynote by Vice President for Student Affairs – Jill Carr
      4. Consists of table displays from different groups and offices

g. “Know Your Rights” by La Conexion de Wood County
   i. In response to a situation that happened in late January involving the detention of undocumented individuals in the area, La Conexion is coordinating a public decision on “Knowing Your rights”. It will feature representatives from ABLE (Advocates for Basic Legal Equality).
   ii. The event is on Saturday, April 12th at 6pm in the First Presbyterian Church and is open to the public.
   iii. Due to a discussion at the most recent HRC meeting, representatives of La Conexion will be meeting later this week with the HRC, BG Police and City Manager to discuss the situation that took place in January in order to better understand what took place.
   iv. It was noted that BG is seen as a safe place for immigrants and concern that this might be shifting due to the recent situation and other situations in the area.

VII. City Co-Chair Update – Barbara
   i. In partnership with the Wood County Library, the National NIOT organization will be screening their film: “Waking in Oak Creek” on Wednesday, April 16th at 7pm in the Wood County Library (Downtown BG).
   ii. Thanks to Michael Penrod for his efforts and they are open to other collaborative opportunities.
iii. Reiterated desire to ensure marketing in the broader community of both the one year anniversary event as well as the special Film Screening.

VIII. New Business

IX. Good of the Order

- Sidney – Shared that during Spring Break, he was a part of a presentation with Tobias for the BGSU Campus Police. The presentation was powerful.

- Sidney – announced that changes made in the Division of Student Affairs with the creation of a new area called Access, Diversity and Inclusion Programs. Sidney now serves as the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs overseeing this area. The area consists of TRIO programs and the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

- Ray – shared that April 15th is Hillel’s Passover event, and they are working on their Holocaust Remembrance Day event for April 28th. Also Black Graduation is on May 4th.

- Mary Kruger – noted that a Brown Bag scheduled during Rainbow Days on April 16th at 12 Noon. Also working on their 3rd Annual World Split Open – Women & Poetry on Wednesday, April 9th at 7pm in Grounds for Thought.

- Susana – noted that activist- Lisa Nakamura will be visiting campus in the next few weeks. More details to be shared via email.

- Vicky – shared that different communication strategies will be used to get the word out about the One Year anniversary events. She encouraged everyone to use their respective networks.

- Vicky – acknowledged the support of the BGSU Undergraduate Student Government (USG) and the Graduate Student Senate (GSS) for NIOT

X. Future Meeting Schedule

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The next meeting of the NIOT Subcommittee will be on Thursday, May 1st from 2 – 4pm at the City Council Chambers in the BG Municipal Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Summary prepared by Ray Plaza