

Meeting Notes

Meeting	CSC Student Committee – General Meeting
Date & Time	July 23, 2013 @ 10:00 AM
Location	956 Kaneff Tower
Attendance	Michael, Amna, Salvatore, Steve, Victoria, Jessica, Safiyah, Brandon, Elana, Elize

CSC Update

- The group inquired when the Fall CSC meeting would be scheduled and whether the recommendations have been sent to the President. Elize said she would inquire with J. Amanatides, CSC Chair and advise the group.
- It was also asked if non-CSC members could attend. Elize commented that given the size of the group, that this is not feasible and that having Open Forums would assist with getting community feedback. Elize was also going to confirm with J. Amanatides.

You Had Me At Consent - September 3, 2013 @ 5:15pm, Rexall Centre

- For anyone who is interested in finding out more information about tabling at the event, please email Steve Mulholland at muls@yorku.ca

Student Resources Guide

- It was identified that there were many gaps in knowledge with respect to what each student group provides to their group. It was suggested that the group should develop/compile a document outlining this information (mandate, services, etc) and share with each other. Elize would send a request for information to the group and compile documentation.

Listserv

- To facilitate internal communication, it was suggested to set-up a listserv. Elize said she would submit the request.

Group Discussion

- The group was asked: "Imagine that it is three years from today and the issue has been resolved. What is going on that is different from today? Identify a key concern today and ways you could identify that there has been a change/it has been resolved"
- I. The concerns today included/How are they present today:
 - Discrimination
 - Remarks made on social media and in-person
 - Racial profiling incidents
 - Gender Based Violence
 - Double victimization
 - Support services lacking/clear understanding of the connection between the support services
 - Silence/Not Speaking Up – comments/behaviours are not addressed publically. Addressing the issue publically is important as well as privately as it brings the norms and values into the room rather than creating the perception that it is okay
 - Harassment
 - More confidence in reporting process needed.
 - Discussion on Systemic Issues
 - Need to be honest that these issues exist

- Intersectional approach needed when discussing the issues
 - Power Dynamic in various relationships. More clarity needed regarding resolution of disagreements particularly at the student-professor level.
- II. How we could identify there has been a change:
 - More avenues for discussion to address the issues openly and honestly – “let’s talk about it” train of thought
 - Seen as a positive because we are bringing this to the forefront
 - Help identify and respond
 - Trainings
 - Community as a whole
 - Coordinated
 - Support Services clearly identified and easily accessible
 - Protocols public for example
 - Communication between services is evident
 - Bulletins
 - Continue to share the bulletins as they promote critical thinking – start to ask “Why” and look at the roots
 - Bulletins make people aware – open about what is going on
 - No longer seen as an “unsafe school”
 - Media attention shifted

Next Meeting

- The group elected not to meet in August
- Elize will be away in September. Elana Shugar has agreed to fill in and coordinate a meeting in September.