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Faculty Council/LGBTQ+ Committee Annual Report

AY 2020-21

Committee Charge: (as listed in Faculty Council Bylaws)

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer + (LGBTQ+) Committee considers concerns of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender faculty, including:

1. Assessing the cultural climate of the university as it pertains to opportunities of LGBTQ+ faculty for academic advancement, productivity and appropriate compensation;

2. Making recommendations for creating an academic environment that fosters the academic success of LGBTQ+ faculty;

- 3. Working to assure fairness in the recruitment and retention of LGBTQ+ faculty;
- 4. Developing support networks and recommending policy to address the needs of LGBTQ+ faculty.

Brief description of the committee's activities for the AY 2019-2020:

Goals related to DEI:

- 1. Continue review of policy for the needs of LGBTQ+ Faculty, staff and student retention and recruitment.
- 2. Offer Safe zone trainings for CU departments upon request.
- 3. Meet with Brenda Allen, and members of the Women's and CREE committees.
- 4. Obtain sponsorship funding from CU for the 2020 Denver PrideFest

Progress of goals related to DEI:

- 1. The committee reviewed policy for the needs of LGBTQ+ Faculty, staff and student retention and recruitment.
- 2. The committee met with Human Resource representatives from the CU System to advocate for the inclusion of Gender X for all Human Resource and University demographic platforms/software's. The University has committed to making the changes within the current platforms.
- 3. The committee met with Brenda Allen, and members of the Women's and CREE committees to further EDI efforts within the committee and the University System.
- 4. The committee partnered with the CREE and Women's committees to put out joint statements denouncing discrimination, as well as offered a screening of the film, "Coded bias." (see item 5).



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- 5. The committee successfully presented a screening of the documentary "Coded Bias," including Q&A with the director and other invited panelists from across CU. Over 80 people attended.
- 6. The committee met with the CU System Chief Diversity Officer of DEI to discuss committee concerns and goals for the CU System.
- 7. The committee has started the process of rewriting our committee mission statement, in consultation with Dr. Brenda Allen, to more accurately reflect our committee's charge.
- 8. The committee met with Dr. Brenda Allen and DEI leaders at CU Anschutz to discuss concerns over non-inclusive language in professional development marketing materials for CU Anschutz Faculty, Staff and Students.

Brief description of committee meetings: (how many meetings were held, membership, and administrative support)

- 10 meetings were held this AY
- Administrative Support: Dr. Joanne Addison (FC Chair) and Jonelle Henning

Ed Cannon, Co-Chair	CU Denver, Education & Human Development
Troyann Gentile, Co-Chair	CU Denver, Education & Human Development
Carey Candrian	CU Anschutz, Medicine
Sean Iwamoto	CU Anschutz, Medicine
Danielle Loeb	CU Anschutz, Medicine
Sandy Ho	CU Colorado Springs, College of Education
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Steven Frost	CU Boulder, Media, Communication and Information	
Morgan Seamont	CU Boulder, Center for Inclusion & Social Change	

Conclusion:

The committee identified 4 major goals for the AY and with COVID's impact, added several new goals.. We had a very successful Queer Movie Night. The committee has increased membership from the previous year and has a consistent meeting attendance. Our aspirational goals related to DEI would be to work more with Women's and CREE committees.

Respectfully submitted

Edward Cannon and Troyann Gentile, Co-Chairs

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