## **Queer & Trans Town Hall Minute/Action Summary**

## Associated Students: December 1, 2020 @ 6:00pm : Zoom

## Minutes/Actions recorded by: Stephanie Barrows

**A. Land Acknowledgment**



**B. Community Guidelines**



1. Take turns speaking
2. Be aware of space/time you are taking up
3. Respect privacy of those who speak
4. Use trigger/content warnings where necessary
5. Introduce yourself by name & pronouns
6. Use I statements

**C. Trans & Queer Commission Update**



1. Co-Chair: Daniel
   1. Projects for winter quarter:
      1. Care packages, Covid task force for QTfolk, etc
2. Vice-Chairs: Ethan & Sebastian
   1. Helping co-chair with organizing meetings
   2. Heads of pride subcommittee
      1. Booking entertainment, organizing pride week schedule
3. Coordinators:
   1. External coordinator: Ash
      1. Plans for Winter quarter:
         1. Sharing graphics of international news
         2. Connecting with local HS queer orgs
         3. Complying info/resources for legislative issues that impact QT folk
   2. Internal: Esme
      1. Working with RCGSD
      2. Queer & Trans leadership council meetings
      3. Website redesigning
      4. All gender restrooms on campus
         1. Library has increased number of GN restrooms
         2. Working on legislation in senate
4. Engagement Chairs:
   1. QTPOC Engagement Chair: Anusikha
      1. Resources for QTPOC communities that need more visibility
      2. Class/Professor Guide Form (<https://forms.gle/vAyQKVsMuMCQG1ds7> )
      3. Pride subcommittee - Wellness & Spirituality (healing) Workshop
      4. Mental Health Town Hall
         1. involved with public mental health commission,
      5. Allyship Panel/Workshop
      6. Self Defense Mutual Aid Fund
   2. International: Kaiduo
      1. working with RCGSD & international orgs
         1. To promote resources
         2. Mental health during pandemic
         3. Multilingual pronoun(s) resource [RCGSD]
      2. Pride: member of subcommittee, still solidifying hosting events
5. Commissioners/Interns:
   1. Special Projects: Jack & Christopher
      1. Working on a project to establish an LGBTQ+ STI testing grant at Student Health
         1. Due to COVID-19 exploring other venues in the community to host the grant
      2. Establishing COVID-19 relief funds for QT folk
      3. Pride: Working on several guest speaker projects
      4. Collabing with Mental Health Town Hall and sitting on the Student Mental Health Task Force
         1. Going to be working on collective data on student mental health during COVID-19

**F.** **Goals for the Commission**



1. Increase student engagement/interaction
2. Continue to provide resources and support to QT community
   1. Find better ways to support during pandemic

**F.** **RCSGD Updates**



1. RCSGD linktree: <https://linktr.ee/RCSGD>
2. Training programs are still up
   1. http://rcsgd.sa.ucsb.edu/education/trainings
3. Events calendar: <http://rcsgd.sa.ucsb.edu/events/calendar-of-events>
4. Staff is available to talk
   1. Quinn: [quinnsolis@ucsb.edu](mailto:quinnsolis@ucsb.edu)
5. Winter quarter:
   1. Looking to collab with more student orgs
   2. Looking to connect with organizations to share resources to increase student engagement
      1. RCGSD sends weekly resources to students
6. RCGSD outreach coordinator: Joey Medina (Sa-qtoutreach@ucsb.edu)

**F.** **Open Forum**



1. Student 1: Environmentalism Board
   1. Looking to collab & work more with QT folk
      1. Hosting events that focus on queerness/intersectionality
   2. Social Chair: Jesus Gomez
      1. [jesusgomezgarcia@ucsb.edu](mailto:jesusgomezgarcia@ucsb.edu)
      2. as-eab@ucsb.edu
2. MCC Director search
   1. Students are able to attend public interviews as MCC searches for a new director
   2. <http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/mccsearch>
3. FUQIT
   1. Looking for new board members
   2. Need more interaction
4. Student suggestions: self defense packages, mental health resources (increasing number of queer/POC inclusive staff)
   1. Self-defense packages are in the works
   2. SHS is looking to increase diversity within staff as well

**F.** **Submissions**



1. Trans Health Care at SHS and in the community
   1. SHS has advocacy chair
   2. Only two available doctors that provide gender affirming care at the moment
   3. RCGSD is another resource
      1. Have resources available to assist trans students in finding health care
   4. SHS can refer students outside
      1. IV student clinic and other outside clinics
   5. Zoom calls available at Student Health for instructions on how to administer t-shots
   6. Telehealth options available as well
2. Financial Trouble
   1. AS covid task force
      1. looking to open up in Winter quarter
   2. LaFa also has emergency fund
      1. Will be reopening soon
   3. Within the IV local community
      1. Masks are no longer available
         1. Are masks the most important resource needed at the moment
            1. other ways to support community
      2. BIPOC students
         1. Considering what more can we do/provide for this community
   4. Intersectional Feminist org is having a blanket drive
3. Racism/Anti-Blackness
   1. RCGSD anti blackness event being held December 2nd
      1. Email for password: [qtpoc@ucsb.edu](mailto:qtpoc@ucsb.edu)
   2. QTPOC empowerment hours held by commission’s QTPOC engagement chair
      1. Every other Monday from 5:00p-7:30p
   3. Fridays @ 4p [RCSGD]
      1. Two spirited empowerment hours (indigenous + queer space)
   4. For Future:
      1. Holding anti-blackness workshops for non black students of color group
      2. Also holding a space for white students to learn about anti-blackness
4. BIPOC Spaces
   1. Ways to support BIPOC businesses
      1. Compiling local resource list
      2. Gifts that directly support queer BIPOC businesses
         1. buying from stores directly, gift cards
   2. Ideas:
      1. QTPOC speakers on intersectionality
         1. Panels, workshops, etc
      2. Biko: Ally workshops
         1. More interactive than just speakers
         2. Looking at greek life as well
5. How to combat Isolation, Zoom Fatigue & Lack of Community
   1. Looking to hold events that are outside zoom
   2. Discord channel as an option
      1. voice channels
      2. text channels