TO: Members of the Executive Board
FROM: Emily Smith
SUBJECT: QSCC Report #5
DATE: March 23, 2016

UPDATE
The QSCC continues to operate as per usual. Many of our smaller events during second term were not as successful as our first term. Our larger events have been quite successful and we anticipate our formal attendance will mirror the attendance of our drag show as our social events are always a big hit. The last few important details of the 2015-2016 year include ordering our books from our SLEF funding, and review our operating policy, safe(r) space procedures and job descriptions to redesign the structure of our executive and volunteer teams.

SERVICE USAGE
Service usage goes through a natural decline towards the end of the term. Our average attendees per day drops off. This year our newcomers meetings became bi-weekly due to a lack of interest in weekly meetings.

PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES
Ice’d Coffee Skating Event
This event was planned to take place on February 3rd. It was, unfortunately, canceled as the ice rink melted. Due to global warming, we were not able to reschedule the skating event this year.

LGBTQ Speak Out
The LGBTQ Speak Out event took place on February 23rd and was hosted by the Social Research Planning Committee to gather information about the needs of queer people in Hamilton. We felt it was important that the QSCC be represented so that the needs of queer people between the ages of 17-30 were established in the event a new queer centre is established in the Hamilton area. This event was popular with individuals attending with us, or joining us throughout the evening.

MacTalks Week
Boardgame Event
This event took place on February 23rd as a stress-busters/self-care style event. It had approximately 4 attendees.

Queer Mental Health Workshop
This event took place on March 3rd which sought to examine the intersections of the queer identity and mental health/mad/disability identity via storytelling, the normalizing of experiences and discussion around queer positive services/experiences with various services. This event did not have any attendees.
**Speed Friending**
This event took place on March 4th which also happened to line up with the Charity Ball. We had approximately 30 attendees and the event lasted three hours which was not quite as successful as the previous year, but had many new individuals come out to make friends. We had heard that had we planned on another night more individuals would have come. This will be taken into consideration next year.

**Rocky Horror Picture Show**
This event took place on March 9th which was hosted in collaboration with the Engiqueers. The event featured props and costumes for the interactive showing and had approximately 8 attendees.

**UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES**

**Monochrome: OSCC Annual Formal**
This event will be taking place on April 1 and will feature a black on white theme held at Gallagher’s Pub. The event is all ages and we have worked with the venue to establish affordable food options. The event will also feature the introduction of the new coordinator, and a promo for executive positions including potential plugs for each executive on the importance and experiences of their roles thus far. This is our annual closing event for the year.

**COPE Conference**
The COPE Initiative has asked the QSCC to participate as the sexuality pillar in their intersectional mental health conference during the second week of May. Both incoming and outgoing Coordinator will work with the outgoing executive team to create a mental health workshop and secure a speaker focusing on mental health and queerness for the afternoon panel. We will also participate through some community outreach funding.

**Toronto Pride**
Planning Toronto Pride will be the first big activity for the incoming 2016-17 Coordinator and will begin on May 1. The incoming coordinator has many strong ideas for improving the Toronto Pride numbers and we hope for a better turnout than the previous two years.

**BUDGET**

The budget summary below does not reflect the following purchases that have taken place or will take place between the last EB report (February 1-April 1). Please consider the YTD spending will reflect an additional $2000 as per the below breakdown:

- **Community Outreach**: $500 for Trans Inclusion Training facilitators
- **Volunteer Training**: $250
- **Annual Campaigns**: $200 for 2 different posters
- **Formal Expenses**: $750 on food/venue, $150 on event materials
- **Volunteer Rec**: $25 per executive volunteer (6) that submits a transition report
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For the Nine Months Ending January 31, 2016

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VOLUNTEERS
Our volunteers have held steady throughout the second term and 10 provided us with constructive feedback on our trans inclusion and non-violent communication workshops. There are a final 12 volunteers who attend a make up training on March 23/16 after the initial make up was rescheduled. We expect to receive more feedback all of which has been communicated to our facilitators, and will be communicated to the incoming PTM to ensure the training continues into future years.

CURRENT CHALLENGES
No current challenges.

OTHER
Our SLEF purchase will be ordered by March 30th.
The transition report for the incoming Coordinator is underway.
This year executives have been asked to write transition reports for the incoming executives. This has not been successful over the past few years and this year we will attempt to provide an incentive from our volunteer recognition budget of at $25 Tim card (the majority of our budget went to a social for our volunteers).