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WGEN Coordinator

TO: Members of the Executive Board
FROM: Hayley Regis
SUBJECT: WGEN Report 01
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UPDATE

WGEN had its soft opening week last week as necessary updates are being finished in the space. Volunteers were trained the weekend prior in safetalk, AOP, as well as presentations from SACHA and HMSC. The space is nearly completed, curtains go up this week, Dan & I are ordering shelves, and books are being ordered for the resource library through the campus store. I have also become co-chair of PACBIC's VAW/GBV working group so WGEN has a direct line there, they are swell as heck. We also have a way to contact the specific trauma counselor in the SWC, information which will be passed to our volunteers.

SERVICE USAGE

Service use last week was minimal as we were just opening. This week has seen a lot more general activity in the space. Last week I specifically came into the space for 2 disclosures of worry re: sexual violence (dangers around a friend & place of residence), so while that's a bit shite, it's at least nice to know that those students have a place to go, so I'm pretty happy about that.

PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

We had our first general meeting this past Sunday, turnout was less than expected but provided time for some good conversations and clearing up some questions volunteers had. We also had a partnered event with OPIRG (stitch & bitch) which was hilariously fun (I participated via photo as I have been stricken with constant sneezes and sinus headaches), and we sent a group to Take Back the Night downtown.

UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Events: at least 1 large event in October (spooky feminist times), we are looking into a collaboration with Diversity on a poster campaign. We are starting our book club this week as well (partnered w QSCC and SSC). I will be putting up curtains this week as well, which should be interesting.

BUDGET

My budget is in fairly good standing. I am still waiting on my August statement from Maggie, and very much looking forwards to the September one. We are well on track right now in terms of spending. The largest amounts that have been spent are in regards to room upgrades (spent about 75% of allocation), and in regards to the SLEF fund supporting our reading library we are currently under budget because I'm still trying to find out how we had allocated \$1300 for shelves. We have spent roughly 0.06% of the budget so far in purchasing a rotating brochure display like SHEC's to display resources.

VOLUNTEERS

Have been having trouble with coordinating volunteers due to issues with my volunteer coordinator. This is attributed to their lack of understanding based on communications failures via my VC. This is being looked into and will hopefully be remedied soon. I am in the process of planning trans 101 with the trainer who used to work for the well, as well as getting some training from Meaghan Ross to better explain to volunteers about her role on campus.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

Still awaiting information on being able to change the sign (where is Lori Diamond?), and so am looking into getting a sticker as per Wooder's suggestion.

SUCSESSES

Service is open, all volunteer shifts are covered with a little wiggle room. Our events are in the planning stages (look forward to a doozy in late October), campaigns are being framed and put in a template of our goals for the year. All my execs are delightful and smart as hell and I am very excited about the upcoming year.