Minutes for LGBTA Committee meeting  
Wednesday, April 15, 2015  
12:00 to 1:30 p.m.  
Room 134, Tinkham Veale University Center


**LGBT Center Update, Elisabeth Roccomoorte, Director LGBT Center**  
Lavender Graduation is scheduled for Monday, April 27th. So far, only eight students signed up for participation and received 40 RSVP’s for the ceremony. Two Prism Awards will be given this year, present award to a department for recognition and an award for contribution in the past. Applicants of the Nock Scholarship have been submitted to Donald Feke, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education. The recipient of the scholarship will be announced at the Lavender Graduation ceremony. President Barbara Snyder will be the keynote speaker at the ceremony.

LGBT Center is sponsoring one more event for the semester. Andrew Pollis, Assistant Professor of Law, will do a presentation on the impact on the legal implications in same-sex marriage court cases on Thursday, May 21st from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Location, TBA.

The first meeting of the Transgender Task Force is on Thursday, April 23rd at 6:00pm. The task force consists of faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community members to discuss of transgender issues around campus.

**Q-Grad Update, Rebecca Schur, Vice President of Q-Grad**  
The Q-Grad website is now live. The site is housed on the LGBT Center website. www.case.edu/lgbtcenter/qgrad

A meeting was held with Lou Stark, Vice President of Student Affairs and the Provost to discuss funding for the next academic year. The Q-Grad LGBT Research Symposium is scheduled on Thursday, April 23rd from 12pm-4pm in Ballroom A, located at the Tinkham Veale University Center.

**LGBTQ Research Group, Matthew Garrett, Faculty Co-Chair, LGBTA Committee**  
The LGBTQ Research Group will have meetings scheduled in April, May and a tentative meeting in June. The process of solidifying volunteers who would like to present their research at the meetings have been stalling quite a bit. There has been a small number of interested faculty contributing their presentations at the meetings. The group is open to all interested faculty, staff and administrators. Discussions are ongoing as to when the group will be open to graduate students, potentially in the fall semester.

**Updates, Matthew Garrett, Faculty Co-Chair, LGBTA Committee**  
Gretchen Sullivan, Assistant Director, Student, Young Alumni & Affinity Programs, reported on the Alumni Affairs working on finalizing the plans of the Lavender Graduation. Cosmos for Case is on Friday, May 1st in Washington D.C. The two recipients of the CWRU Pride LGBT Ohio Leadership Award were two medical students, and their bios are on the LGBT Alumni website.

**Ongoing Business, Matthew Garrett, Faculty Co-Chair, LGBTA Committee**  
We are still in need of committee volunteers to help with our curriculum project. Look for an upcoming email for more details and specific opportunities for assistance.

**Announcements/New Business, Matthew Garrett, Faculty Co-Chair, LGBTA Committee**  
Jane Daroff, Social Worker, University Counseling Services, reported that CWRU’s Second Look Weekend is scheduled on April 17th and April 18th. Second Look is for applicants who were accepted to the medical school but have not yet decided to enroll at CWRU. They are invited to come back for a second look at the campus. Following the events is
dinner along with a small LGBT reception for the accepted students. The dinner is on Friday, April 17th from 5:30pm-6:30pm at the Intercontinental Hotel.
The Cleveland Human Rights Campaign Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, August 22nd at the Cleveland Convention Center. The university will be the primary sponsor for the HLC event this year.
The 30th anniversary of PFLAG celebration is on Saturday, July 25th. Save the date, cards will soon go out. All are welcome to attend.
Cleveland Pride Parade is on Saturday, June 27th. Each year, students sign up and walk in the parade. More information will be distributed in May. [http://www.clevelandpride.org/home/](http://www.clevelandpride.org/home/)
The next LGBT Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20th from 12:00pm-1:30pm in the First Floor Conference Room (Room 140), located in the Tinkham Veale University Center.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:00pm.
Minutes by J. Jackson