

Summit Minutes – May 4 2010

17:31 | Summit Meeting was called to order

*Thank yous were given to SAN and INMx! for their efforts and hosting the meeting, in collaboration with The Inland Northwest LGBT Center.*

17:33 | Brief introductions of all attending were given stating who they were and which organization they were representing.

*The Inland NW LGBT Center, Spokane AIDS Network, INMx, Imperial Sovereign Court of Spokane, Giant Ass Drum Corp, EMCC, Spokane Trans Support, PJALS, OutSpokane, OWLS, Inland NW Business Alliance, Pride Foundation, Queerituality, Greater Progress Spokane, Safe Schools Coalition, and PFLAG*

17:37 | Rose Krause of the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture (MAC): Historic Gay Spokane Exhibit

*Rose Krause presented their project on Historic Gay Spokane, which was started several years ago, though they only have one small box worth of material. Krause asked people to look into their garages for artifacts of Historic Gay Spokane, and if there are any articles that they would be willing to donate, the MAC would very much appreciate them. These artifacts can range from written documents, photographs, costumes, and more. She asked for items large and small that are key items to memories, and turning points in the history of Spokane. The history that the MAC is trying to capture is that of the region, within roughly 200 square miles of Spokane. Collections are constantly evolving; however, there are often gaps. Often, people do not consider museums in their efforts to preserve their history. It would be most helpful if the items had stories to go with them, so that displays can be constructed, rather than random, arbitrary collections. It would also be easier for the museum to come to the site of the objects being donated, so that they can be examined, rather than going through the trouble of bringing the items to the museum and having only a few selected. It takes a great deal of time to assemble exhibits, and that this is not to be a territorial affair. Krause also said that people know what is important to them, and it is best to go to a community and surveying their interests and past, rather than ask for specific things. There was also a discussion on items to be released after individuals have passed, such as diaries, which may compromise privacy of the writer or those therein mentioned. Krause asked individuals to let the museum know if some items may be coming by means of a will, and to keep the museum in mind when writing wills. As mentioned above, donations and suggestions will be gladly accepted for some time to come. If you would like to get in contact with Rose Krause (or know someone who would), she encouraged anyone interested in contacting her via email at [rosek@northwestmuseum.org](mailto:rosek@northwestmuseum.org).*

18:00 | Community Calendar

*The community calendar is up and running! Dustin Jolly and Ryan King have both worked very hard to make it easy to access and use by all. The original OutSpokane calendar was used and expanded so that multiple organizations have posting privileges. There are a couple of administrators, and should an issue occur, the problem will be alleviated quickly. The administrators have the ability to flag, monitor, and receive feeds, so the security of the calendar is well managed. The goal of the calendar is to increase collaboration and awareness; this will allow everyone to know what is going on, and have the ability to pitch in with various events, as well as help to avoid scheduling multiple events on the same night. It is hoped that eventually every organization will utilize the calendar, and it is important that everyone is granted that access. If anyone would like to post an event or gain access for their organization, please contact Ryan King via email at [ryan@outspokane.org](mailto:ryan@outspokane.org) or email Dustin Jolly at [calendar@thelgbtcenter.org](mailto:calendar@thelgbtcenter.org).*

#### 18:04 | Community Newsletter

*The Community Newsletter is a project put on the priority list after the Community Calendar. Currently ideas are being drawn about what the newsletter should consist of, but it was agreed to by many that it would be a good idea, due to the absence of QView and Stonewall. A physical newsletter would provide those without internet access the information posted through sites and the calendar, as well as a visual document at local establishments (chiefly bars and offices) to reinforce the information already out; nevertheless, a newsletter that is both physical and virtual could provide a source for compiled information, articles that are not necessarily suitable for sites or calendars, and more. A newsletter would not be something that can sustain itself, and it will not be profitable, so in order to get one off of the ground, it would require time and funds from many individuals across the spectrum.*

*Some ideas suggested for newsletter content include:*

- Training (leadership and Organizational) Information and Opportunities in the Region
- Events and Event Recaps
- Feature Articles: Spotlights in both Personal and Business categories
- Resources and Listings, Especially Self-Help, Inspiration, Spiritual, and Wellness
- Scholarship Information: INBA, ISCS, etc
- Special Events with Organizations
- Classified Listings: Jobs, Housing, and More
- Letters to the Editor
- Feedback
- Surveys

*A newsletter could also be used as a tool to reach GSAs at various schools. It is important that we reach out to both the younger and older communities.*

*It would be useful to somehow assemble and carry out a survey of where people frequently go that they would pick up a copy.*

*It was recommended a multi-organizational committee be formed to begin working on this project. Interested individuals (whether or not they are affiliated with an organization) are encouraged to contact The Center to be contacted when an initial meeting date is made.*

#### 18:20 | Everyone is to Credit

*It was also noted that these Community Summits are facilitated by The Center, but it is through everyone's effort that it is possible. We are all in this together! If anyone is interested in hosting upcoming summits, please voice that interest!*

#### 18:28 | Pride Events

*Pride events are listed separately, please see the attached listing – [http://www.outspokane.org/pride\\_events.html](http://www.outspokane.org/pride_events.html)*

#### 18:36 | Peace Keeping for Pride

*PJALS is training individuals for helping keep the peace for the Pride Parade and Rainbow Festival. This year the event is getting more support from the city, and work is being done to receive sponsorship as well as police protection and closed off streets.*

18:40 | Speed Dating Dilemma

*There have been no problems with the Women's Speed Dating; however, the Men's Speed Dating has received little interest. The event has been moved to Dempsey's, right before Pride, this time, in hopes to attract men to a more comfortable/familiar setting, thought it will eliminate any 18-20 year old participants. If anyone hears of you men interested in the event, please inform The Center.*

18: 47 | Pride Registration 2010

*Please note that the pride registration is at the normal price until the 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2010, at which time it increases to a "Late Fee" price, though you may register up until June 4<sup>th</sup> 2010.*

18:48 | "Gay in Spokane" Website/Webpage

*It was discussed that a Wikipedia.org page could be constructed with the intent to lead people towards other organizations that could help them if they are new to Spokane and seeking LGBT resources.*

18:50 | Not Hearing About "It"

*It has been said over and over, that people are still not finding out about events, despite the huge collaborative efforts by all of the organizations.*

18:52 | "Psychopathia Sexualis"

*On May 14<sup>th</sup> 2010 the play "Psychopathia Sexualis" will be performed at Interplayers, with proceeds benefiting OutSpokane.*

18:53 | PJALS 21<sup>st</sup> May

*PJALS is having an auction and potluck on May 21<sup>st</sup> 2010 in Celebration of their 35<sup>th</sup> year of working in Spokane.*

18:54 | Meeting was adjourned and cake was served!