

**Gender Studies Group Meeting
October 16, 2015**

Present: Leslie Green-Pimentel, Amy Cannestra, Sally Paulson, Paulette Meikle, Leslie Fadiga-Stewart, Mike Paulmeno, Karen Bell and Sujung Cho.

1. Call to order 1:30
2. Approval of minutes – Mike Paulmeno motioned to approve minutes, Paulette Meikle seconded. Minutes of October 2, 2015 were approved.
3. Group photo taken
4. Updates – Leslie Green-Pimentel is still waiting on previous GSG members and if they are still interested in participating; CFP to be formulated and sent out for Student Showcase, Baioni Center is booked for the event; letter to male colleagues inviting them to participate in GSG will be sent to group for feedback
5. Focuses for the year
 - a. Brown Bag Speaker series – Mark Kimbell has been invited to speak about Clery act on October 30th and Leslie Green-Pimentel is waiting to hear from him; Amy Cannestra and Spooky Boobs Collective will present October 23rd; the next Brown Bag is set for November 13
 - b. Film Night – Mike Paulmeno is arranging to show “Southern Comfort” on November 17th at 6:30; the venue is to be determined but probably will be Jobe; it will be offered as a First Year Seminar passport activity; Robin Boyles and Michelle Johansen have contact with members of the transgender community who may be willing to attend screening and lead a discussion; it was suggested to inform the Diversity Committee of the event so that there would be more participation
 - c. Special Events
 - i. Equal Pay Day Speaker – invitation has been sent to Amanda McMillan and the Baioni Center was suggested as the venue; April 12, 2016 is the suggested date; a committee is looking into obtaining a Mississippi Humanities Grant to fund the event
 - d. Update on NFS Grant Opportunity and Grant Writing Workshop – the NFS Grant meeting was at 1 today and a letter of intent will be sent soon
6. Any other business? Brown Bags are on the second and fourth Fridays of the month and meetings on the first and third Fridays
7. Adjournment at 2:30