Sexual Assault Prevention Task Force Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2013


1. New members: Angi Parker, Outreach Coordinator at the Counseling Center, has been added to the committee to help with outreach projects for the Spring semester. A new intern with the Counseling Center from Family and Consumer Sciences, who has a focus on sexual health and sexual assault prevention, will be joining the committee in the Spring.

2. Discussed the trainings that Dr. Berkowitz offered in the Spring
   a. Members who attended the trainings agreed that the information was helpful.
   b. Began discussing potential next steps as a follow up to Berkowitz: social norms campaign, training all students in bystander intervention, having follow-up bystander training throughout the year that complemented and reinforced the initial training for all students.
   c. Members were interested in Dr. Berkowitz coming back at some point in the future in a consultative role to help us assess the work we are doing and to give feedback on a social norms campaign.
   d. Members agreed that ongoing conversations need to take place regarding how Eastern would like to move forward with sexual assault prevention training. Jackie offered to email members with a doodle calendar to schedule additional meetings during Winter break to continue these conversations.

3. Sexual and Interpersonal Violence Training in D2L was launched and required for all new students, faculty, and staff
   a. If members know of any employees or students that are having difficulty accessing the training, they were encouraged to have those individuals contact Jackie Hines.

4. Discussed outreach ideas for the upcoming Spring semester
   a. Potential ideas:
      i. Red Flag Campaign
      ii. Walk a Mile in Her Shoes
      iii. Take Back the Night
      iv. Clothesline Project
      v. Teal Ribbon campaign
      vi. Bring in speaker Erin Weed with Girls Fight Back
      vii. Workshop series (i.e., bystander intervention)
      viii. Public service announcements and messages on the new electronic signs on campus
ix. “Sexual Assault Talk Show” in collaboration with HERC – interactive presentation that dispels rape myths
x. Sexual Health Fair with tables/services related to sexual assault – will follow up with HERC about this
xi. RAD/self defense classes through UPD – will touch base with UPD to see if they can offer an abbreviated class for students
xii. Dr. Berkowitz returning to campus
xiii. Art Show by student survivors of sexual assault and interpersonal violence, to be hosted in Tarble Arts
xiv. Interactive display on the quad or in the Union – Ribbon tree with teal ribbons for sexual assault, purple ribbons for interpersonal violence, silver ribbons for stalking. Students could tie a ribbon for themselves or others they know who are affected by these forms of violence. Counseling Center will coordinate this.
xv. Variety Show fundraiser with student performers (singers, musicians, comedians, etc) to raise money for HOPE and SACIS
xvi. Bulletin boards focused on sexual assault, consent, bystander intervention in the residence halls
xvii. Post-it notes campaign on bathroom mirrors that offer messages related to consent and sexual assault

b. Members agreed that not all of these ideas will be able to be done and that we should continue conversations over the Winter break about which specific ideas will be carried out in the Spring. Jackie will send out an email with a doodle schedule for members to meet during Winter break to continue these conversations.

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