



Sexual Violence Prevention Committee Minutes – February 3, 2020

Committee Members Present:

Rebecca Demchuk, Kiara Clement, Wintre McConnell, Art Barron, Nancy Hempel, Lydia Fiorini, Alyxis Watson, Martine McDaniel, Maggie Kobrossy, Nancy Frick-Costa, Christy Gatto, Janelle Stanley, Anna Millerman, Devon Hurst

Absent: Beth Pirouet, Greg Lowry, Aaron Grass, Marine McDaniel, Kshitij Punj, Stephanie Woodall, Angelo Ciardella, Candace Quinlan, Ryan Peebles, Jennifer Johns

1. WebPage

TSI AND SRC provided suggestions to the webpage. Three people sent in their feedback. Overall, people found the website to be user friendly. Suggestions were from both International and Domestic students. Some of the suggestions included:

- Adding a video to increase engagement/interest
- Big concern was that the page may be overwhelming for a student who is in crisis. A suggestion was made to create a front page to direct people based on their situation. (ie. are you in crisis? Click here)
- We need to include the info@stclairresidence.ca and the phone number of 519-966-1601 to the residence information for students in crisis.
- SACC information and medical treatment should be front and centre for the crisis.

Discussion:

We should be promoting the Sexual Violence Prevention Committee and the webpage to the class reps so students know the resources available to them. The U of W does a very good job of promoting on campus so perhaps we can get some strategies from them.

2. Prevention Activities for Winter Semester

- a. Residence – Alyxis reported that they have a Valentines Day event to get couples talking about consent.
- b. Athletics – Teams are continuing to do individual sessions with Lydia from SACC
- c. SRC - Have planned activities for a sexual health week but have been working on Winter Blues so it has been postponed for later in the semester. They will be having a Consent related Pop-Up on Feb 11.
- d. TSI – Is doing a Moustache (Must Ask) coffee social. They are currently working out details and will email the group once that's done.

3. **Consent Team – Name change and Activities**

- The Consent Team changed their name to the Student Sexual Violence Prevent Team. The name change was made after receiving feedback from International Students that they did not understand what “Consent Team” meant.
- They will be doing an event on Feb. 11 called Cooties & Condoms. They will have Cootie Catchers with consent issues written inside.
- They continue to have events to recruit more student ambassadors for the Team. They had 2 full pages of students interested from their last Tea Bar event. They are creating Pop Sockets for awareness.

Discussion:

Lydia asked the question of who’s controlling the consent messaging? We have many groups around the table going out with messaging. We need a process through this committee to vet any messaging that we are providing students, so it is consistent and correct. Lydia is trying to put together a resource that we could use as a reference once it’s complete. Until we have formal messaging in place we should be referring to the policy.

4. **Flip the Script training**

- The University of Windsor is interested in working with us but it will probably be a slow roll-out in September 2020. There will be a limited number of students that would participate because it’s a long training (2 full days). Rebecca and Beth will provide more details as we get them.
- SRC mentioned that they are trying to organize a self-defense workshop for women.

5. **Discussion on Policy Challenges**

We continue to try to tweak the policy. It is an ever changing document and we will continue to try to make it clearer.

6. **New Business**

Martine mentioned that students are suffering from “Poster Overload”. We need to find other ways to get our messaging out to students, especially in residence (but it applies everywhere). We are looking at doing bathroom advertising in the college. We are currently looking at three bathroom posters that deal with:

- Bathroom Etiquette
- Washing Hands
- Sexual Violence Prevention