GLA Gender & Sexuality Diversities Interest Group Membership Meeting Virtual Friday, October 13th, 2023

Attendance:

Crystal Miller, Valdosta State University - Co-Vice-Chair Florence Tang, Mercer University Jennifer Griffin, Georgia Southwestern State University - Co-Vice-Chair John Mack Freeman, Georgia Tech - GLA Vice-President Karen Manning, Georgia Tech Kevin Reagan, Georgia Southern University - Secretary Raymond Goslow, Georgia Public Library Service - Chair Teresa Nesbitt, University of North Georgia

Meeting in Session: 10:05 am

- Introduction
 - Secretary shared attendance form
 - Officers and attendees introduced themselves
- Old Business
 - Recap of 2023 Social Events
 - Chair provided an analytical overview of this year's events, explaining how lunch chats have been more popular than game nights.
 - Due to a busy summer, there were no GSDIG social events.
 - For GLC, GSDIG partnered with the Black Caucus to host a trivia social, which was a popular conference event.
 - Chair shared trivia social slides: <u>Answers & Questions</u> <u>Questions</u> <u>Only</u>
 - Chair provided an overview of events for the remainder of the 2023 year:
 - Lunch Chats: 10/19/2023; 11/16/2023; and 12/21/2023
- New Business
 - Chair explained <u>updates to bylaws</u>
 - On 9/6/2023, members of GSDIG were emailed about changes/updates to the bylaws. Chair explained the notable changes:
 - An official process was added for filling officer vacancies
 - The midwinter meeting was officially established
 - References to places were removed
 - The superseded election procedures were removed
 - Two non-officer motions were made to approve updates; group voted to approve; no objections were made
 - Since the bylaws were approved, they will be forwarded to the GLA executive board
 - Interest group elections
 - We were provided with a link whereby candidates can vote for officers. Chair explained Jennifer and Crystal will be Co-Chairs next year. We do not yet know who has been nominated, due to the new form, but the Chair plans to reach out to the Interest Group Council for this information. Chair explained the succession process.

- Specifics of the deadlines and ways to apply for an officer position are detailed here:
 - <u>Candidates apply here</u>
 - We will be looking for a Vice-Chair and Secretary
 - Deadline to apply is October 18
 - Ballots will be emailed at beginning of November
 - Deadline to vote is November 20
 - Winners will be notified/announced after voting closes
- Open Floor Discussion
 - Crystal mentioned a book signing:
 - Mercury Stardust aka Trans Handy Ma'am in Tallahassee, Florida on October 14th

Meeting Adjourned: 10:28 am

Next Meeting: TBD

Respectfully Submitted, Kevin Reagan Secretary