COMMISSION ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND DIVERSITY MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. GRADUATE LIFE CENTER ROOM B

Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Meghan Weyrens Kuhn (chair), Yannis Stivachtis (vice chair), Eirini Asprouda, Tom Brown, Mark Cartwright, Martin Daniel for (Alan Grant), Ross Edmonds, Brynne Halsey for (Rick Barrow), Bradley Klein, William Lewis, Teresa Lyons, Lesley Moyo, Guy Sims, Jim Snyder, Jody Thompson.

ABSENT: Julianne Arnold, Kim Beisecker, Amer Fayad (with notice), Justin Graves, Hal Irvin (with notice), Karen Jones (with notice), Lori Anne Kirk, Shernita Lee, Lee Lovelace (with notice), Ellen Plummer (with notice), Emily Satterwhite (with notice), Sheri Simmons (with notice), Christine Snider, Cris Thompson

GUESTS: Sam Albimino, Marcie Bishop, Jonathan Manz, Perry Martin, Caroline Sapyta, Dwight Yokley

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair Meghan Weyrens Kuhn. The minutes from the last meeting on September 26^{th} , 2011 were motioned and approved.

II. OLD BUSINESS

Due to the absence of several members, the discussion regarding the Labor Day Holiday was tabled to the next meeting.

Dr. Will Lewis gave a brief update regarding the University Holiday letter. Francesca Galarraga has been asked to research this issue further, and will possibly report her findings at one of the upcoming meetings. Due to the absence of several members this topic was tabled to the next meeting.

III. <u>NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Perry Martin announced the new date and time for the upcoming Strong Together kick-off reception to be held at Owens Banquet Room on October 25th, 4pm to 5:30pm. Ross Edmonds provided flyers for the 7th annual Gay in Appalachia event to be held on Friday, October 14th at 7pm, in Virginia Tech's VBI Auditorium. This event will be presented by the LGBT Caucus at Virginia Tech. Work is in process to get more events on the University calendar for next year.

Dr. Paul Knox and Frances Keene from the Long Range Planning office will present at the next meeting on Monday October 24th at 9am.

IV. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcie Bishop Recording Secretary, Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity