

IDEAS! Meeting

May 13, 2016

Present: Di Ann Vulich, Sean Harrison, Stephanie Hoover, Carrie Szipiera, Audrey Adamson

Elections

We voted to table elections until the beginning of next semester. Laura and Carrie had put in for positions, but we hadn't heard from anyone else. Several people said they would need to see what their schedule was like before they could commit to meetings next year. So for the summer, we will all pitch in to help, but there won't be any official meetings and no need for officers. However, we do have some things to plan.

We had a suggestion to have an archivist to collect and maintain current and past meeting minutes, flyers, etc. This could be part of the secretary position or it could be a different position.

Orientations

There are 4 orientations this summer. People felt like it would be a good idea to have a presence at orientation. The dates are:

Tuesday June 21st – during the day

Thursday, June 24th – in the evening

Wednesday and Thursday, August 10th & 11th – during the day and evening

Laura can do the June and July orientations but cannot do the August orientations.

Stephanie can do June and August but not July.

We have bookmarks that we can handout. Student groups cannot purchase anything else right now for events like this.

We need to contact SGA for more info and to sign up.

Other Upcoming Events

Some other events to plan for:

Bix Festival – Do we want to have an informational table at the race in July?

Block Party: First week we are back in the fall, week of the 22nd. Student groups plan events around that. Stephanie indicated we should do more than just literary events. Towards that end, some event suggestions that IDEAS! could sponsor at the block party and beyond:

Sewing Party

Coloring Activities – for adults and children

Acting workshop – Laura teaches acting workshops that can be done in one session

Zine workshop – have materials for people to make their own small zines

Karawane: Laura got a grant from Quad City Arts to start her magazine back up. She would like for IDEAS! to be involved.

100,000 Poets for Change: They have an international day of poetry that is on the last Saturday in September. This would be a good time to kick off our monthly poetry readings.

Keeping up with IDEAS! through the summer

Reminder that we will use the IDEAS! Facebook pages to communicate through the summer, so make sure you are signed up with at least one or both of them. We post opportunities on there as well as updates on these and other projects.