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Sexual Assault Resolution

Student Government Executive Secretary Lia Charles '22 spearheaded the collaboration between Student Government and PASA to raise awareness about sexual misconduct through the Consent Campaign and the Title IX Workshop. With an ad hoc committee of Student Government and PASA members, Lia worked on the Title IX Workshop, which had record attendance for a Student Government sponsored event. Lia and Lidya Abebe '22, Director of Equity and Inclusion, Lauren Ameruoso '22, Director of Greek Life Committee, Sherry Deng '22, Director of Student Organizations, Gina Beviglia '22, Director of PR and Marketing, and Ed Rogowski '22, Co-Director of Athletic Affairs, are working on a resolution to address sexual violence and safety on campus.

The **Consent Campaign**

This includes requesting those things which PASA sees as most crucial to supporting survivors of sexual assault on campus. This resolution will be presented to the general body of Student Government for voting at the beginning of the Spring semester. **Student Government would like to express immense gratitude to PASA for all their support and contributions in making the Consent Campaign, especially the Title IX Workshop and the two Community Discussions, so successful.**

Committee Updates

Student Organizations, Sherry Deng '22

Student Organizations has been partnering with the Office of Intercultural Development and the Equity and Inclusion Committee to organize a Multicultural Competency Training (MCT) in early January. We are also preparing a form for clubs to submit new pages to the Club Magazine, which will be open throughout Winter Break. We are also brainstorming ideas and initiatives in support of the Dear Lafayette Demands related to Student Organizations. Finally, we are working on creating an Instagram page to highlight and support clubs and organizations on campus and advertise their events.



Check out the Club Magazine on the main page of Our Campus!

Academic Affairs, Luisa Gunn '21

We have also partnered with Equity and Inclusion to work on a resource guide for incoming first years that will be posted soon. We have completed a review of grading best practices based on data collection from the Economics Department that has been shared with CITLS to improve school-wide grading procedure.

The Academic Affairs Committee continues to partner with Equity and Inclusion and Student Services on the Resilience Project.

Finally, we have taken steps to start a partnership between Public Safety and the Crime Victims Council of the Lehigh Valley in order to provide students access to rape crisis center resources on campus. We are also investigating and researching demands made by Dear Lafayette related to Academic Affairs in order to determine how we can best provide assistance towards accomplishing those goals.

Equity and Inclusion, Lidya Abebe '22

The Equity and Inclusion committee collaborated with Lafayette Activities Forum (LAF) and Queer People of Color (QPOC) and celebrated Queer History Month in October. Together we raised about \$1900 for New Alternatives and Black Trans Advocacy Coalition. The Queer history month panel and trivia night, which were our other two events for the week, also went well. Thank you to everyone who participated!



We have been in contact with Professor Vora, chair of the faculty teaching and learning committee, to pass on feedback from students gathered by Luisa and Tanmaya's mental health initiative. We will continue to collect information on students' experiences with virtual learning.

We are meeting with Riley Godshall to discuss programs for Spring Orientation.

Our committee also attended the DEI council open meeting and discussed concerns regarding communication and transparency. We plan to attend their bi-weekly standing meetings.

Greek Life, Lauren Ameruoso '22

The Greek Life Committee has had an extremely successful semester, but we still have a lot more to work on! In the past months we have not only created and released a campus wide Greek Life Climate Survey, but also analyzed the results and presented them to many different groups. Those groups include Student Government, the student body, Faculty Committee of Student Life, and AISB. We also plan on presenting the results to more alumni, faculty, administration, and the Board of Trustees. **You can access information about the survey on the Student Government website under "Committees and Projects."** In conjunction with the survey, we conducted interviews with students and administration from a number of other schools to learn about their experiences with Greek Life and the social climate of their schools in general. We will be combining the data from the survey along with the information from the interviews into a formal proposal over the interim period.