

NVST Directors' Committee

Fall Meeting # 2

AGENDA

Friday, Oct 26, 2018 from 3:00-5:00 PM in UMC 415

3-3:50 pm, Anti-Oppression Community Conversation (Led by Sam Bullington & Sabrina Sideris)

Topic: Trans*

Focusing on process & practice, disrupting categories & structures that are harmful to people who do not conform with the gender binary

5 minute break

I. Call to Order (Kaisa Simon), 4 pm

II. New Business, 4:05-4:10 pm: Annie Miller shares the INVST budget

III. Old Business, 4:10-4:55 pm

- a. Proposal: New guideline regarding food & waste at INVST events. So far, Sabrina, Annie and Amanda have met and drafted a guideline on this topic. Annie read the draft thus far. Next step is for the committee to meet and revise this draft into a final document to be proposed for approval at DC. **Kayla Berry and Makenna** would like to join the committee in addition to the people that are already interested in joining the conversation (Hattie H., Amanda Cohen, Katie Bolz, Jennilee, Adi, Emma Pillar). **2 ideas on how to meet-a Monday evening after class or a Sunday planned 3 weeks in advance where we share brunch and meet.**

Amanda then did a brief training on how to dispose of waste-things that are papery/or have "eco products" written on them can be composted. Recycling is a little tricky b/c most things that say they are recyclable are not. Candy wrappers can be brought to alfalfas to be disposed of. Must rinse/clean out items to recycle them. It would be better to go over this in a more structured and fun way with examples where we can play a game and sort trash interactively. We talked about doing this in orientation. Would it be possible to do as an anti-o next semester? Perhaps Michelle from the E center could also talk since the demo itself will not take that much time. **How would people feel about having that as an anti-o? Thumbs up.** Any questions/comments?

- b. INVST's new name- Kayleigh presents results of surveys conducted online

Top 6 names (based on 12 votes total with online survey sent out by Kayleigh):

- Inclusivity, Nonviolence, and Social Justice Training (5 votes)-6 currently at DC
- INVST- not an acronym (5 votes)- 7 votes
- Inclusive and Non-Violent Environmental and Social Justice Training (INVEST)-4 votes-5 votes
- Integrating Necessary Visions of Systemic Transformation- 4 votes

-Integrated Network Vitalizing Environmental and Social Transformation-4 votes

-Inclusive Network of Voice for Social Transformation-4 votes

- Decision by the community: devise a process for reaching out to varying stakeholders & then moving forward with our choice in an inclusive way-here is the suggested process: Send out top 6 names in a survey to other stakeholders by November 7th. At next DC meeting on December 7th from 4-5pm, invite FAB and other stakeholders to vote- showed the proposed email blurb to send out to larger community as well as a list of who the other stakeholders are.
- Suggestion-add to email what INVST currently stands for and let people know WHY we are changing the acronym. Having in the email that participants are welcome to comment at length gives people the ability to participate more. Make sure it is very specifically laid out that we are not taking any more names suggestions. Our name is going to come from one of these 6 names. Discussion around how to include the gems of this discussion into the survey sent out leads to the decision that in the email body, include a line that explains the name (a blurb that includes thoughts discussed in DC) and then on the survey itself, have just the name without any asterisk/disclaimer.
- We took a vote at DC just to gauge where people were at. Everyone chose top 2-Results are as follows: Inclusivity, Nonviolence, and Social Justice Training- 6 votes. INVST- not an acronym -7 votes and Inclusive and Non-Violent Environmental and Social Justice Training (INVEST)-5 votes.
- Allie is wondering the implications of changing the acronym to INVEST. Can we adopt #3 because it includes Environmental. It is weird to have a mission statement that includes environmental, but not in our name...Is it weird to have a name that is an acronym that doesn't stand for anything? Is it just us not wanting to change? Let's hold this conversation until we get more community input. We will get more of a sense of where people are at. Choice #2-be clear that we would add a tagline acronym. Rather than having a disclaimer on some, either on none or on all so that the survey looks balanced and consistent and doesn't favor one name over another. Have it just as is without any disclaimer so that people can really see what the name would like like (visualize on marketing material, etc.)
- Think over how to solve the "E" problem. Administratively it would be challenging to add an E to INVST-INVEST. We would have to change the url, social media, etc. Who is in charge of sending out the survey? Kayleigh has offered to make the survey and Sabrina will also collaborate and with Annie to send this out to stakeholders. We want to give people 1 vote to pick just top choice.

IV. Community Announcements (** If time)

V. Closing (Last 5-10 mins) Kaisa

Next facilitator = Kayla Berry

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES to put on your calendar:

Our next Anti-Oppression Community Conversation will be in your skills class on Mon Nov 12 from 6:30-7:30 pm. The topic is mental health & wellness for engaged community leaders

We are part of 2 upcoming events:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/535080616930172/>

Mon, Nov 26 at 5 pm in Hale 230

George Lakey will be our very special guest

He is an author/activist/scholar and his talk is called, How Activists Win

We are co-sponsoring this event, together with CMCI & it is open to the public. Second-year INVST students are welcome to invite your friends. Our regular class will resume in our regular classroom afterwards.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1961804484118468/>

Fri Nov 2 from 9 - 3

Navigating Leadership Conference for high schoolers; we will be presenting

DC Meeting 3: Friday, December 7 from 3 - 5 pm in UMC 415/417 * Includes SOL Project design presentations by the Class of 2019 from 4 - 5 pm

INVST Admissions:

Tues, November 13, 2018: Early Application Deadline for the INVST Program. Encourage your friends to apply at <http://www.colorado.edu/invst/clp-apply>

Monday, March 4, 2019: FINAL INVST Application Deadline

As always, important dates and event details can be found here:

<http://www.colorado.edu/invst/calendar>