

CLUUC LGBTQIA+ Justice Ministry Team Meeting Notes

September 1, 2026

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Present: Sylvia, Susan, Karl, Tanner, Ezra, Emily, Marge, Chris, Colyn, Carolina Ruesga

Welcome and Introductions

Carolina introduced herself to the group, team members introduced themselves to Carolina
Ezra taking notes today

Ministry Team Leadership for 2026-2027

- (a) **Ministry Team Co-Chairs** – Karl/Sylvia
- (b) **Notetaker** - Ezra and Colyn will share
- (c) **Communications Coordinator** – Emily Belle
- (d) **Social Media Coordinator** – Chris is interested in this role, wants to establish what the role will be.

Updates/Debriefs

MoCo Pride Center - Carolina Ruesga

- Carolina would like to see more involvement with MoCo Pride Center, and will be reaching out
- Suggests MoCo Pride Center for two Share The Plates in September 9/13 and 9/20 to, and inform the congregation about its function as an umbrella organization as well. She will be writing something up for the Social Justice newsletter.
- Carolina has pulled together a blurb for the offertory and e-news

Ministry Team Charter: Status of Review/Approval – Sylvia/Karl

Sylvia thanks team members who helped work on the charter. No changes to the draft submitted by the team. Shared charter with Dayna for feedback. Once this is complete, we will send the final to staff. We will likely submit before labor day.

2025-2026 Ministry Team Welcome Renewal Application – Karl/Sylvia

Karl explains the UUA Welcome Renewal Process to Carolina, refreshing others at the same time. We need \$ amounts for Unmatched Athlete and GenOut Choir before we can complete the application.

Progress Pride Quilt Offer from Ariel Mora – Karl/Sylvia

Karl and Sylvia worked with Michael Holmes, Director of Music and Arts, to establish where things could be displayed permanently (which is Ariel's wish). Resolved and she will be constructing the quilt. Location may be on the wall in the stairwell.

LGBTQIA+ Soul Circle at MoCo Pride Center – Tommy

Tommy is not here. No updates.

Other Updates/Debriefs from our Team Members?

None

Ministry Team Fall Potluck on Saturday, September 26 - All

Sept 26th 12-2. Potluck. In Chalice House. Was a great social activity last year. Ministers and Staff we work with most closely are invited and some may attend. Jen Morley and Carolina will be there. Abhi in India. We will email what we plan on bringing so that we know that there will be a good variety of food.

Current/Future Projects/Activities

Clothing Closet Collaboration with MoCo Pride Center – Tommy

Tommy is not present to give an update. Karl asks if the MoCo Pride Center's new space will have room for a clothing closet. There are two pieces to this project: gathering clothing and storing. Cedar Laners would need to donate clothes. Sylvia will connect with Carolina about this.

2026-2027 Intersex-Focused Activities - Sammi, Tommy, Sylvia

Will be planned around Intersex Awareness day (October 26, 2026) We have a number of movies recommended that we could show.

2026-2027 Survey of Team Members – Sylvia/Karl

Sylvia wants to send the survey out again this year. Tanner and Sylvia will work on this. Tanner will share his knowledge of last year's survey creation with Sylvia. Goal is to have it sent out to recipients by the middle of next week.

Planning for CLUUC Benefit Concert: Considering Matthew Shepard - All

- We have been asked to help promote the event
- We have been asked to help choose the beneficiary
- Tanner asks when we need to select a beneficiary by. It may be as early as January. Karl will ask Michael if there is a date for when we need to select the beneficiary
- Date of concert is May 15th
- Karl points out that when we had been involved with the beneficiary in the past, we were expected to provide help on the day of the event

Other Suggestions for Future 2026-2027 Ministry Team Initiatives – All

None provided.

Upcoming Events/Activities

- **Celebrate Bisexuality Day:** Wednesday, September 23, 2026
- **Ministry Team Fall Potluck:** Saturday, September 26, 2026
- **LGBTQ History Month:** October 2026
- **LGBTQIA + Justice Ministry Team Meeting:** Tuesday, October 6, 2026 @ 7:00pm

- **International Lesbian Day:** Thursday, October 8, 2026
- **National Coming Out Day:** Sunday, October 11, 2026
- **Intersex Awareness Day:** Monday, October 26, 2026
- **Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDoR):** Friday, November 20, 2026
- **CLUUC Benefit Concert: Considering Matthew Shepard:** Saturday, May 15th, 2027

Other Events/Activities?

None.

ADJOURN: THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING THIS EVENING!