*Boston University School of Theology Student Association*

**General Meeting**

**September 8th, 2015**

1. Opening Reflection/Prayer
   1. *“Action without vision is only passing time, vision without action is merely daydreaming, but vision with action can change the world”-* Nelson Mandela
2. Introductions (Name/Pronouns/Year+Degree/Club?)
   1. Lauren (STHSA)
   2. Amelia
   3. Minchang (KSA)
   4. Nami (KSA)
   5. Katie (Sacred Worth)
   6. Karen (Contextual Ed.)
   7. Lise (Interfaith Club)
   8. Mary (Thecology)
   9. Victor (STHSA)
   10. Art (STHSA)
   11. James (STHSA)
   12. Alisa (Coordianator of Communication)
   13. Dr. Knust (Faculty Advisor/STHSA)
   14. Anne (PhD./Doctoral Student Association)
   15. Lucas (Wesleyan Student Association)
   16. Lauren (MTS Society)
   17. Lambert (Community Life)
   18. Karen (Raices Latinas)
   19. Nathan (Sacred Worth)
3. STHSA Overview
   1. Thursday Sep. 10th: **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** for the First Years
   2. Schedule of Tentative Events passed out
   3. Student Groups with STHSA Funding: Please send a representative to meetings!
   4. Vocational Talks (Dr. Knust is first! 9/22! Regular Meeting)
   5. Collaborative Events encouraged between groups
   6. **PUT EVENTS OF THE CALENDAR**
4. Student Groups
   1. Sacred Worth
      1. Mail Processing
      2. Meetings
      3. Movie Nights
      4. October Pride Month
   2. MTS Society
      1. Newer Group!
      2. Trying to be more present in University to reach out to MTS students
      3. Lectures and Workshops
      4. Collaborative Event with Scholar’s Circle at end of September
      5. Increase Social Media Presence as well as general
   3. Doctoral Student Association
      1. For Doctoral Students
      2. Facilitates Community amongst Doctoral Students
      3. Vocational Development
      4. First Meeting: 9/9/2015 at O’Learys
      5. One of the sponsors of upcoming conference
         1. Deadline extended to Sept. 15
   4. Korean Student Association
      1. First Meeting 9/9/2015 at Muelder Chapel 5PM
      2. September 27th: “Korean Thanksgiving”
   5. Association of Black Seminarians
      1. General Meeting: September 10th 5:30 at Community Center
      2. Setting up agendas/ breaking of ice
   6. Thecology
      1. First meeting 9/9 after Community Lunch
      2. Taking place in Community Center
   7. Wesleyan Student Association
      1. Meeting Tonight at 7PM at The Dugout
      2. Conversations
      3. Guest Speakers
      4. Education of Methodism
   8. Raices Latinas
      1. Meeting outlined events
      2. Raices Latinas Week still being discussed
      3. Other events are on the horizon
   9. Community Life Office
      1. “Variety is spice of life!”
         1. “A well-seasoned pun”
      2. Cultural Competency
      3. Continue to build a better community
      4. Activities ranging from fun to thought provoking
         1. Karaoke (September 24th 8PM [tentative date])
         2. Privilege Walk (Late October-Earl November possible)
         3. Strive for things that are both fun and informative
         4. Pub Nights
   10. Interfaith Club
       1. Everyone should join!
       2. People seem to be excited
       3. General goals
          1. Dialogues
          2. Learning about different faiths
          3. Advocacy
   11. Sacred Worth (more information)
       1. October Pride Month
       2. Events of Queer Peoples
       3. Sacred Worth History
       4. Queer-centric Service at Marsh Chapel
       5. Informative Event as well
       6. Events for Queer People of Color as well
5. Treasurer Martinez discusses Funds for Groups
   1. Form being created to be passed out
   2. $400 per semester, per group
   3. Please get the form back to Victor **ASAP**, October 5th the ideal deadline
   4. Spend Your Funds! It’s why it’s there.
   5. President DeLano reiterates desire for STHSA to be more than a lender
   6. For budget requests a representative of the club must come to the meeting.
6. Student Reps
   1. Vice President Gordon announces reps
      1. First Year Rep
      2. Non-MDiv Reps
      3. MDiv Rep
      4. International Student Rep
      5. Doctoral Rep
   2. Nominations open on September 15th and close on the 21st
      1. [sthsa@bu.edu](mailto:sthsa@bu.edu) for nominations
      2. Only requirement is that the rep must be able to attend meetings
7. Faculty Committees
   1. Students can be on these committees to lend experience
   2. Nominate and Self Nomination possible, then moves on to the Deans
   3. Academic Programs, Policies and Fellowship (MDiv MTS, STM)
   4. Community and Spiritual Life (MDiv, MTS)
   5. Sociology of Religion Faculty Search (MTS, MDiv)
   6. Dr. Knust emphasizes importance of student voices on committees
8. Open Business
   1. Alisa wants to have an online resource for groups
      1. Social media
      2. Events/ Meetings
      3. Desired Start Up: End of Next Week
   2. Lambert reminds all of SAO OrgSync deadlines
   3. Lambert also reminds us about resources for group events
      1. Alisa brings up that a guide is linked on the calendar
      2. President DeLano expresses admiration for COLLEGIUM
9. Closing Remarks/ Meeting Adjourned
   1. Meetings can only be as exciting as you make them!