Commission for LGBT People  
August 24, 2015 (in lieu of September meeting)

I. Call to order

II. April minutes approved

III. Co-Chair nominated and elected
   a. Michael Porter (class of 2014), former President of Lambda Student Union, current undergraduate admissions counselor, presents at national conferences on LGBTQ+ undergraduate student issues.

IV. Committees
   a. Membership and Awards: spring duties, Chancellor’s award and expanding membership
   b. Equity and Issues: by-law revision
   c. Communications and Alumni: LGBTQ+ Alumni Council and Welcome Back Reception, other upcoming events

V. Updates
   a. Upcoming event: Welcome Back Reception, 5-7 p.m. in the Mary Greer Room, September 24
   b. Pride Center Updates
      i. Formerly the LGBTQ+ OUTreach Center
      ii. Welcome Back Open House had around 150 attendees
      iii. New Graduate Assistant, Kristen Godfrey
   c. Safe Zone
      i. Now managed by the Pride Center
      ii. Curriculum and course has been revised and is recruiting new trainers
         1. Train the Trainer session on Saturday, August 29
      iii. Third Monday of each month: ongoing ally discussion group of individuals trained in the Safe Zone Program
      iv. Emphasis on continuing education after Safe Zone training with a newsletter, email signature, buttons and stickers
      v. Why? UT is the 5th “most LGBT unfriend campus” in the nation, as ranked by the Princeton Review
   d. OUTstanding: October 24
      i. “LGBTQ+ Self-Revelations”
      ii. Keynote speaker is Janet Mock
      iii. Hosted by the Knoxville Convention Center
      iv. Contact at outstandingseminar@gmail.com
   e. LGBTQ Mentoring Program
      i. Goals: differentiate from other diversity and inclusion mentoring programs, expand advertising
f. Commission for Women
   i. Active year planned with programming, coordinating with student groups
   ii. Upcoming Sexual Empowerment & Awareness at Tennessee (SEAT) Red Zone events, September 1-4

VI. Future topics
a. Same-sex marriage and implementation
   i. Update from HR on same-sex spouse benefit enrollment
b. Gender-neutral restrooms
   i. Update from Dave Irvin and Facilities Services
c. SEAT & Sex Week
   i. Funding goals