A Meeting in Reaction to the Hate Crime in Prospect
(Comments in order of being spoken)
- Positive reactions to Monday’s events, eye-opening experiences
- Initiated conversation about everyday encounters with discrimination
- Entry discussions were beneficial
- Maybe classes did not need to be canceled, and having discussions in class with professors would have served a wider audience
- The open mic may have been harmful because some speakers targeted specific groups and created a space that was no longer safe
- Classes were canceled because students argued that some professors may not have been comfortable or able to mediate these discussions
- Did cancelling classes start a dangerous precedent?
- It was not a singular hate crime that caused classes to be canceled, but it was the administration’s recognition that this was not an isolated incident and it is endemic in our community
- Is the role of this movement to ignore negative comments on WSO and in The Record or to try to “convince” them?
- The posters that went up around campus were not supposed to be filled in—many people found them offensive
- It may potentially be detrimental to align this movement with other social movements
- We should limit the number of all-campus e-mails because they will be ignored
- Nick and Maya made a YouTube video
- Addressing the administration’s shortcomings in addressing this hate crime will be included in the discussion that leads to the creation of a protocol for handling hate crimes in the future
- A proposal for a Social Honor Code has floated around campus
- The issue of censorship and political correctness may not be the right environment to engage in honest and educational dialogue
- What is CC’s role in this? Not to align itself with certain policy changes? To make it visible to the entire campus?
- There is a big disagreement and many loud voices in the room who do not like the way that people are being appointed to the committee
- The forum where this was all decided was advertised across the campus, so we cannot undo it—interested members of the community voted on it.
- The goal of the committee will not be to impose anything on the student body