

I apologize for sending these minutes out so late. Time got away from me.

Commission on Women  
3/14/01 Minutes

Present: Sheila Shusterich, Judy Trolander, Sue MacDonald, Aubie Shaw, Sharon Torrison, Karin Riggs, Barb Elliott, Leah Bruns, Jean Baribeau-Thoennes, Deborah Petersen-Perlman, Penny Cragun, Linda Larson

I. Welcome by Linda Larson

II. Approved minutes from 2/14/01. Moved by Deborah Petersen-Perlman, and 2nd by Aubie Shaw.

III. Budget Update

Linda Larson distributed the year-to-date budget for review

IV. Budget and Grants Committee

The following grant request were presented by Barb Elliott.

1. Small Grant Request by Christine Strom to support a speaker from El Salvador - \$300. Moved by Barb Elliott, 2nd by Sharon Torrison. Passed.

2. Large Grant Request - Beth Bartlett - send 10 students to the National Women's Studies Association Convention in Minneapolis in June. \$300 for fees to support 3 students. Moved by Barb Elliott, 2nd by Deborah Petersen-Perlman. Passed. We will revisit this grant request after the Large Grant deadline date of April 15 to perhaps increase the amount we fund this request. It was agreed that we want to support our students and if possible, we will review this request after April 15. At this time we can only award the total allowable amount for a small grant.

V. The Commission will send a sympathy card to the family of Linda Tarnowski.

VI. Update on Spring Luncheon

A. Speaker - Stacy Wilson, Assistant Women's Hockey Coach.

B. Music - Ann Anderson (violin) and Jeanne Doty (piano)

C. Dance Team performance

D. Administration will be invited by Penny Cragun

E. Flowers (carnations) - Jean Baribeau-Thoennes

F. Create a booklet again - one nominee only to be honored

G. Jean Taylor, Director of the Office for University Women at U of M, Twin Cities, will be invited by Deborah Petersen-Perlman.

H. Publicity Committee will coordinate the publicity for this event. Sue MacDonald and Linda Larson will oversee the typing of the luncheon booklet. The program and publicity committees will meet March 21, noon, Kirby Cafe, to discuss the luncheon.

VII. Mentoring Program for Regent Scholarship Recipients

Bob Flagler will present a program "Intro to College Learning"

on

March 22, 11-1 pm, K333.

VIII. Web crossing and the CW Web page will be discussed at the next meeting.

IX. Equal Opportunity Statement

There are 3 versions of this statement. It is mandatory that this statement is placed on all public material that is posted or distributed.

Judy Trolander will develop a letter to send to the three vice chancellors with a friendly reminder. The letter will also state that search committee members need to also be reminded. This letter will be reviewed at the next CW meeting on March 28, and then sent to the vice chancellors.

X. Equity Issue - salaries of women faculty, resource equity, promotions, P&A classification

Moved by Judy Trolander, 2nd by Sheila Shusterich that the Commission on Women request Institutional Research to provide salary equity data of women faculty and P&A. Passed. Linda Larson will send the letter to Institutional Research. Judy Trolander, Deborah Petersen-Perlman and Sheila Shusterich will study the information we receive and bring forth recommendations.

XI. CW Elections

Bernice Pepper is no longer at UMD and needs to be replaced - civil service bargaining unit.

Linda Larson distributed the list of CW reps and the elections that will be held this spring. Linda will start the process and send out the letter requesting nominees. The following terms end May, 01:

Penny Cragun - P&A  
Sharon Torrison - P&A  
Char Harkins - CEHSP  
Sheila Shusterich - SFA  
Judy Trolander - CLA  
Colleen Belk - CSE  
Aubie Shaw - graduate students  
Karin Riggs - undergraduate student  
Sue MacDonald - System-wide  
Mitzi Doane - System-wide  
Linda Larson - chair

Everyone can run again. Some of the women listed above finished an existing term for someone who left the Commission and have not completed a full term. Linda encouraged them to put their names forward again for nomination.

XII. Kirby Plaza

Construction in this area won't begin until after January, 2002. CW office will stay at its present location next year.

Next meeting is March 28, noon - 1:30 pm, K355-357.

Linda Larson