

Subject: CW meeting minutes

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UMD Commission on Women
Meeting Minutes for 9/9/04

Present: Deborah Petersen-Perlman, Amy Meredith, Emily Kroening, Lori Johnson, Virginia Borden, Martha Eberhard, Linda Johnson-Gange, Nancy Damberg, Julie Westlund, Joy Michalicek, Lisa ZumHofe, Ruth Westra.

Excused: Beth Bartlett

I. Introductions and welcome to new members:

Amy Meredith, Martha Eberhard, Linda Johnson-Gange, and Ruth Westra.

II. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved without amendment.

III. Committee Reports

A. Mentoring

Julie Westlund & Deborah Petersen-Perlman have put together a series of programs for the Regents Scholarship and Tuition Benefits recipients. See the information at the end of these minutes and forward to people who would benefit from attending.

B. Child Care

The YWCA has signed the lease with Auxilliary Services and is on schedule to open in January. Joy will make sure the on-line sign-up form is on our website. Deborah will ask Greg Fox not to list Cornerstone in the UMD directory. Joy will call the YW to ask for an appropriate contact number if people have questions. Linda and Amy have agreed to serve on the Child Care committee.

C. Grants

Large grants have already been awarded for the fall. Nancy will work on sending a notice about small grant opportunities available yet this fall. The committee will also need to publicize the large grant opportunities for the spring.

D. Programming

Deborah and Judy Trolander have arranged to bring Pat Mullen for this fall's Gallery of Grants on November 5 and 6. There will be a community event in addition to the G of G presentation.

E. There was no one from Publicity to give a report.

F. By-Laws and Policy

Lori addressed the low level of participation in our online elections this past spring. The members present suggested this might have been a function of timing. We agreed that this coming year we should try to hold the elections earlier and to send reminders to our constituents to vote online.

G. Student Outreach Gathering

Nancy is working with Housing to arrange a gathering for Freshman women in Burntside in October. Emily agreed to help with this committee.

H. Web-Crossing

We need a committee to follow up on this project and to make use of the

results of the Spring Survey. Consider volunteering for this committee at our next meeting.

IV. Bathroom posters on Sexual Assault Prevention have been duplicated.

WRAC is assessing where to place the posters and the costs of frames and installation. We should have a report for our next meeting.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. All Commission on Women members are expected to sign-up to serve on one of the four major committees. Due to the change in meeting times, some members elected to serve on the Commission are not able to attend our Tuesday meetings. All members should sign up to serve on one of the following committees. If you're able to attend our next meeting, please come prepared to commit to one of the groups listed below. If you're unable to attend the next meeting, please email me (dpeters1) with your committee preference.

1. Grants and Budget
2. Programming
3. Publicity
4. By-Laws

B. Additionally, we have the following sub-committees which could also use some help (please email me with your preference at dpeters1):

1. Child Care
2. Regents Scholarship/Tuition Benefit Mentoring
3. Student Outreach Gathering
4. Web-Crossing

V. New Business

A. We discussed Stacy Stark's proposal to develop a Leadership Skills for Women program here at UMD.

B. We discussed the issue of Commission members who are unable to attend meetings due to scheduling conflicts. Such individuals might choose to find a substitute for those meetings she cannot make. Even if a member cannot make meetings during a particular term due to scheduling conflicts, she should still participate on at least one of the committees listed in IV A.

C. Julie addressed the need for members to have an orientation to serving on the Commission on Women. She suggested that we should re-visit the philosophy and history of the organization: who are we, what is our mission, what is the impetus for this organization (it's surely changed since the commission was first formed), etc. Because we did not have our annual retreat before the beginning of the Fall semester, some members suggested that we should find time yet this Fall to get together to discuss the concerns Julie raised, as well as the issue of low participation.

D. Corrections to the Annual Report

1. Lori's phone number is x7124.
2. Sheila Shusterich should be added to the Child Care Committee

E. Vacant seats on the commission

1. Linda Naughton should be asked to fill the non-bargaining unit vacancy.
2. Pam Parkinson should be asked to fill the system-wide vacancy.

F. We will elect a vice chair at our next meeting.

G. We need to post the job of minute-taker.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Petersen-Perlman

The following sessions for Regents Scholarship and Tuition benefit recipients will be offered throughout the year from 4:30-5:15 pm on the dates and topics listed below:

September 17, "Study Skills Tips from An Expert!" Learn to use your study time efficiently and effectively to get the results you want. Kirby 355-57

October 16, "Taking the Mystery out of Using the Library." Tour the UMD Library and learn how to use the myriad of resources. Library

November 11, "Baffled by Choosing Courses?" Find out how to choose courses from the hundreds offered. Kirby 355-57

January 14, "Continuing Education Programs: Earning a Certificate or taking Individualized Instruction Courses." Kirby 355-57

February 19, "Using the computer and Internet." Learn the basics about computer access for students. Kirby 355-57

March 23, "Choosing Courses, Part 2." Learn more about choosing courses from seasoned academic advisors. Kirby 355-57

April 14, "Career Planning." Explore your future. Kirby 355-57