

Commission on Women Minutes for 3/24/04

Members present: Nancy Damberg, Lisa ZumHofe, Lori Johnson, Emily Kroening, Joy Michalicek, Linda Johnson-Gange, Jannifer David, Stacey Stark, Julie Westlund,
Excused: Deborah Petersen-Perlman, Amy Merideth
Absent: Martha Eberhart, Mary Cameron
Guest: Susana Pelayo Woodward

Meeting was convened by Julie Westlund, in the absence of Chair, Deborah Petersen-Perlman

1. "Take Our Children to Work" day. Susana reported that the event will be held Thursday, April 22, 2004. Schedule will begin with breakfast in Kirby Ballroom. There will be two sessions with multiple workshops offered during each session. A reception will follow the workshop sessions at 11:00 in the Wedge. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded. It was decided to offer breakfast this year instead of lunch. Program will end at noon. Susana requested support from the COW in the form of \$1000 as given in past years. It was agreed we would do this. Nancy Damberg will take care of transferring funds to Susana. Susana asked for volunteers to read essays from participants. Lisa ZumHofe and Jannifer David volunteered.

2. Report on Bathroom Posters. Susana reported that the posters were printed and have been posted around campus, except for men's bathrooms. She submitted a list of the bathrooms that need poster frames and posters. She has asked John Weiske about the possibility of installing the posters in all the bathrooms in the Residence Halls. He requested that she send him an email with the request. She will be forwarding an email to him signed by her, representing WRAC, and by Deborah, representing the COW. Next steps: The COW needs to request funding from Greg Fox to order new frames and install them in both men's and women's bathrooms. WRAC will post the posters once the frames are installed.

3. Announcement by Susana: April is Sexual Assault Awareness month.

4. Reviewed and approved minutes from 2/25/04.

5. Reviewed and approved minutes from 3/10/04 with the following corrections:

a. Date in item I should be 3/10/04 not 3/11/04.

b. In item II add that Paul Deputy was at the meeting with Joy Michalicek and Mary Ann Marchal.

Committee Reports

Programming: Luncheon is shaping up. We agreed to pay LeAne Rutherford a \$300 honorarium. Invitation to the luncheon should be going out to the campus via email at the end of the week. 3/26/04 Joy requested that Nancy check to see if our Sam's Club membership was still current, so that flowers can be purchased there. Programming Committee has agreed to be responsible for the Outreach Program for women students. Program has been arranged in consultation with RA's for Burntside Hall. Date is Oct 6, 2004 at 6 p.m. Dessert will be served. Program is yet to be determined.

By-Laws: No report.

Grants: Received one request for small grant. Committee will review. An addition has been made to Grant requirements. All grant recipients will be required to submit a written summary report after the sponsored event is completed. Question was raised about inviting all of the recipients from this past year who did not participate in the Gallery of Grants to present their results at the Luncheon. It has been determined that all recipients did present at the Gallery.

Leadership: Stacey reported that the session with Dee Anne Bonebright of the Women's Leadership Institute of UMTC and Anita Rios on 3/24 went well. About 8 people attended.

Childcare: Joy met with Paul Deputy and Mary Ann Marchal and was able to give them some history of the COW involvement with the Child Care Center. Joy is now on the search committee for the Director of the Child Care Center. She expects they will be interviewing candidates the week of March 29, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Westlund