

The President's Commission on the Status of Women

Monday, April 6, 2009

12:00 PM, CSU 285

Minutes

Attendance: Gail Abraham, Carol Endres , Sara Granberg-Rademacker, Jen Guyer-Wood, Shannon Jeffries, Carol Jensen, Elizabeth Lindstrom, Denise Thompson, Wanda Viento

Regrets: Maria Bevacqua, Julie Carlson, Suzanne Dugan, Megan Hagerty, Rosemary Krawczyk,

Absent: Jane Earley, Linda Hanson, Deborah Jesseman, Luda Lindahl, Deborah Schulz,

1. Co-Chair Selection
 - a. Denise will complete her term as co-chair at the end of this year. We need to find a new co-chair so members were asked to consider this as an option.
2. Diversity Events Website
 - a. The commission received an email from the President's Commission on Diversity regarding a new online Diversity calendar. Since all of our events are over for this year we will have to wait until next year to announce our events on this calendar. Denise will contact the Diversity Commission to check if diversity grant and award deadlines can also be included on the calendar.
3. Student Affairs Reorganization Models Response
 - a. No response has been received.
 - b. Jen and Denise will follow-up with Jane Earley to see if she has any suggestions for us as our Liaison to the President.
 - c. Letter will be forwarded to the commission along with meeting minutes.
4. Annual Report
 - a. Jen & Denise need to create the Annual Report for the President's Commission on the Status of Women soon. All committees are asked to email their portions of the report to Jen or Denise by the next meeting, April 20th, 2009.
 - b. Any other report suggestions or requests should also be forwarded to Jen or Denise before this date.
 - c. The charge for the PCSW has been carried out to the extent of our current control. There has been a student parent group formed this year to address issues of this nature. The commission would like to have someone from this group come to a PCSW meeting to get information on their projects and any assistance we are able to offer.

5. Membership Discussion

- a. One union questioned the Commission's membership term length. After discussion the Commission came to a conclusion that the current membership terms provide continuity, in order to accomplish more as a commission. The PCSW will maintain the current terms but continue to assess them and revisit this issue if this becomes a problem in the future.

6. Committee Assignments

a. Professional Development and Research Grants

- i. Members: Elizabeth Lindstrom, Sara Granberg-Rademacker, Denise Thompson, Carol Endres
- ii. Grants are being processed

b. Listening Panel

- i. Members: Elizabeth Lindstrom, Gail Abraham, Jen Guyer-Wood
- ii. The event went well with a good turnout of attendees.
- iii. The ombudsperson need was discussed as well as the concern regarding many women employees being involved in layoffs. Outcomes from this panel will be included in the Annual Report.

c. Women of Courage and Vision Recognition Reception

- i. Elizabeth Lindstrom, Gail Abraham, Carol Jensen, Carol Endres
- ii. The reception went well, the audience liked the video, please continue!
- iii. For next year we will need to include purple in something to follow campus style guidelines.

d. HERS Leadership Institute

- i. Members: Elizabeth Lindstrom, Deborah Jesseman, Julie Carlson, Carol Jensen, Rosemary Krawczyk
- ii. Debra Schulz was selected by the committee and President Davenport to attend HERS. This will be announced in the campus newsletter soon.

e. Project of the Year Awards

- i. Members: Elizabeth Lindstrom, Linda Hanson, Deb Schulz, Julie Carlson
- ii. Committee will try to find additional advertisement options for next year

f. Mentor Match Project

- i. Members: Elizabeth Lindstrom, Julie Carlson

- ii. No updates

- g. Point of contact

- i. Members: Linda Hanson, Denise Thompson, Elizabeth Lindstrom

- ii. The great place to work taskforce is discussing similar possibilities. They have now created a website. This website will be sent out to the commission along with the meeting minutes.

- 7. Announcements

- a. Take Back the Night and Denim Day are April 15, 2009. Please spread the word! Contact Wanda Viento or Lauren Pilnick for any questions.

Minutes submitted by Elizabeth Lindstrom