University of Wisconsin-Platteville Sexual Assault Awareness Council – Minutes 11/19/12

Present: Marc Wruble, Pat Foster, Robin Gore, Rebecca Goves, Vickie Dreessens, Emily Sawle, Kathryn Anderson, Justin Smoot, Tim Deis

Marc called meeting to order at 8:12am.

Introductions were made, new attendees welcomed.

Minutes were not available for approval, tabled until next meeting.

Vickie passed around the Step It Up facilitator and student guide programs that were purchased from the University of Arizona. We will need to decide if/how we will utilize the program.

Marc reported that both the Provost and CDO were at the recent Men’s Council meeting. Both indicated support of the council and wanted to know what was needed to help promote it on campus. There was discussion of financial needs, space, and mission. The council is looking for an official name that represented a student focus and center for leadership. One goal would be to address retention rates for males as male graduation rates have been decreasing. Marc gave insight on to probable causes of decreased male graduation rates.

Robin reported that the Women’s Council was excited and supportive of a web page that focused on issues of sexual assault. We are hopefully that this is attainable for this academic year.

What do we want to accomplish this year? Suggestions?
-Website for information on sexual assault issues.
-Training, doing it in house with the Step It up program or an outside speaker.
-Campus wide information on Date Rape Drugs.
-Safe ride from bars at bar time utilizing the campus ride program.
-Supporting programs such as United We Stand Campaign, SPR.

Discussion on this topic will continue next meeting: 12/3/12 at 8am in Women’s Center

Respectfully submitted by:
Vickie Dreessens