University Women’s Council Minutes
Meeting date: Feb. 9, 2005

Present: Lyn Bouck, Carol Sue Butts, Deidre Dalsing, Vicky Dreessens, Pat Foster, Hannah Heath, Kate Kelley, Jean Olson, Tammy Salmon-Stephens, Deb Schulman, Laura Wendorff

1. The Meeting was called to order at 11:05AM
2. Minutes were approved.
3. An announcement was added to the agenda by Hannah Heath.

Announcements were provided to the members. Carol Sue Butts indicated that UW-Platteville received funding to renovate the Art Building and that the renovation was scheduled to begin Summer 05.

4. An update of the League of Women Voters Legislative Forum was provided. Senator Schultz, and Representative Loeffelholz have been invited. The tentative date for the forum is scheduled for March 30, 2005, 12:30-1:30, Pioneer Student Center. The format for the forum is a question and answer session. The questions will be taken from the Lt. Governor’s Task Force. Other current issues in the state of interest to the attendees will also be addressed. A question was voiced as to whether CPR might want to co-sponsor this activity? Also, another suggestion was made to extend an invitation to Steve Freese.

5. UWP Woman of the Year Award

The criteria and application form for the Woman of the Year are located and can be downloaded from the Women’s Council website. The cost of the One Woman Play/Dinner and the UWP Award Winner presentation is $20.00. Council members felt that Joanne Wilson, 2004 recipient of the Woman of the Year Award, should not have to pay for her meal at the event so donations were made by Council members to cover the cost of her dinner. The deadline to purchase tickets of the event was extended to March 1, 2005. “An Evening with Susan B. Anthony will be presented Rose Stephenson. Activities surrounding this event were also discussed. Joanne Wilson will be asked to bring her award, and Pat Foster has agreed to bring the plaque.

Based on a email and phone call received by Lyn Bouck from Carol Beals, discussion took place concerning the criteria for the Woman of the Year Award. After serious discussion, a motion was made by Laura Wendorff to vote on the issue and seconded by Lyn Bouck. A vote was taken with regard to leaving the criteria for the Woman of Year as it was originally written. The vote was unanimous, with one abstention. Motion carried. Jean Olson suggested that someone phone Carol Beals to inform her of the decision. Lyn Bouck agreed to
phone Carol and convey the decision of the Women’s Council regarding this issue. Tammy Salmon-Stephens, Co-Chair, also suggested that a letter should be written on behalf of the Council to formally respond to Carol’s concern. The Council members agreed with this suggestion.

6. Deb Schulman, Co-Chair, gave a report regarding the New Faculty/Staff Social held prior to the UW-Platteville-Stevens Point Women’s Basketball game. Deb indicated that the attendance to the event was lower than expected. Comments by council members stated that the Social was held the same night as the Badger game, which may have contributed to the low turn out of faculty and staff. Other suggestions were made such as to send out a reminder prior to the event. Further, it was suggested that Deb continue to hold these faculty/staff socials. Deb agreed to continue to have these social events in the future.

7. Web page was discussed. It was announced that the Women’s Council webpage is now up and running. Laura Wendorff suggested placing the Women’s Council logo on the website. Other suggestions were made to add appeal to the website such as the listing the names of current council members, Woman of the Year Award recipient, and other items.

8. Final Announcements:

Lecture entitled “Primroses to Pop Stars, One Hundred Years of Proving Rape” will be held March 3, 2005, 5 PM, Nohr Gallery.

The WWHEL One-day Conference will be held at Richland Center on March 23, 2005. Anyone who is interested in attending the conference is asked to contact Carol Sue Butts and Carol Sue offered to sponsor interested individuals. A suggestion was made to try to avoid holding the conference on Spring Break if possible.

Jean Olson indicated that the Distinguished Lecture Series featuring Jerry Greenfield of Ben and Jerry’s Ice Cream will be held on the same date and time of the March Women’s Council Meeting. Discussion ensued. A motion was made and seconded to hold the March meeting for the Women’s Council on March 16 @11AM at the Women’s Center. A vote was taken and the motion carried. The next meeting of the Women’s Council will be held on March 16, 2005 @11AM at the Women’s Center, Doudna Hall.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05.