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University Women’s Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 9, 2011
PSC Mound Room


Guest: Tianna Conway

Being without a quorum, the meeting was informal. No voting occurred.

1. Announcements:
   - Conway discussed the performing arts season’s programs, passed out literature, and encouraged all to attend.
   - Chris Skinner will be speaking at the Pioneer Crossing at 7 p.m. on April 12. He will discuss “making poor choices.” Skinner became a quadriplegic as the result of a car accident in which he was not wearing a seat belt.
   - Also on April 12, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. a presentation on Technology and its impact on sexual violence will be presented (Dreessens will talk with Dalsing about trying to adjust timing on these two so they don’t conflict).
   - Distinguished lecturer will present on March 30.
   - Leadership awards will be April 16.

2. Treasurer’s report: We expect to be receiving $500 from the WWHEL stipend for Celebration of Women.

3. Follow up on Sigma Tau Gamma: Since no actual person could be identified as having harassed females who chose not to buy a Victoria Secrets raffle ticket, no formal actions could be taken against Sigma Tau Gamma. Dreessens sent a letter on behalf of University Women’s Council to the leadership of the fraternity and their faculty advisor, to explain our concern and express the hope that they will take advantage of the Student Senate Gender Issues Coordinator’s offer to speak to their organization. The letter was sent on March 2. As of March 9, there has been no response to Dreessen’s letter.

4. Woman of the Year and Student Woman of the Year award. There are 3 student nominees. Nominations have closed. There is one Woman of the Year nomination so far. These close on March 11.

5. Celebration of Women Event:
   - Font was changed on the posters. They are ready.
   - Marketing folks might want to solicit participation from outside the U. community.
   - Tickets are now available on the CFA website or at the box office in Ullsvik.
   - Provost Nimocks will purchase complementary tickets for Garrity, Parsons, and Shields
• Update on video: interviews are done. Media services asked whether we want serious or funny video. We decided a mix of both would be ideal. We would like all video footage recorded to be burned to a DVD.

• New budget sheet was submitted with the errors from last sheet corrected.

6. Civility workshop: Wildermuth reported some of the highlights. Of particular note was the presentation by Dr. Forni, on the rules for civility and conducting a civil life.

7. Other: the first program in the Provost’s civility series will occur on March 25. The program planner is looking for women who are willing to be on the panel. We should suggest women for the planner to pursue for this program.