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Women’s Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 14, 2012
PSC Mound Room 10 a.m.

Attendees: Wetzel, Sargent (for Salmon-Stephens), Schulman, Hines, Olson, Marquardt, Peters, Dreessens, Wildermuth, Gagula, Burns, Williams, Ranney

Visitor: Peshkin

Burns called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

1. Minutes: Olson moved to approve minutes of Feb 8 with corrections, Wildermuth seconded. Approved

2. Introductions: Members introduced themselves and identified their affiliations

3. Agenda: Wetzel moved to approve the agenda, Dreessens seconded. Agenda approved.

4. Announcements:
   - WWHEL workshop is coming up. Wetzel let the organizers know that WC will help if needed.
   - Salmon-Stephens wants us to honor her at the EMS banquet instead of at a separate reception sponsored by WC. The money we normally spend on the reception can go toward buying tickets to the EMS banquet. April 12 is the date. Social is at 5, dinner at 6. We can go through Peters to get the tickets. Burns will get tally of who wants a ticket and we’ll get a block ordered.
   - Events for Women’s history month are going on at the Women’s center.
   - Reminder: distinguished lecturer on March 28, 10-noon in field house. Come early and get seats. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Topic is about exploring the ocean. WC will not have its regularly scheduled meeting that morning.
   - Committee for selecting woman student of the year will meet today. Josh Jasper, student presentation, will be on April 25, 7-9:30 Nohr Gallery. Encourage students to attend.
   - Dreessens has the respect magnets and clings
   - Dean searches are concluded. Offer was made to CDO candidate.

5. Treasurer’s report: no changes

6. Campus Climate report: Burns handed out copies of Appendix A, analysis of comments from the survey and highlighted Ranken’s 2 primary concerns: (1) Number of people who responded that they had experienced some degree of physical discomfort; (2) Number of students who believe that faculty interfere with their learning (52%) and number of faculty who believe faculty interfere with students’ learning (62%). Next steps: a new survey is being done on line. Peters moved to hold a summit about campus violence; Marquardt seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion was withdrawn. Wetzel will book a room for 30 people for Wednesday, April 10, for a summit meeting for all those interested and able to attend.

7. Strategic Planning: Not all members of WC are informed, fully, about the plan. Peshkin will come back (or send another) to give us a 10 min. overview of the strategic plan at the next WC meeting.

8. Other: April 21 Student leadership awards—Saturday. Need a reader for the award and someone to give it out. Burns will read award; Williams will hand it out or vice versa.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Mary Rose Williams