Women’s Council Minutes
April 23, 2008

Present: Deirdre Dalsing, Vickie Dreessens, Pat Foster, Jennifer Mandel, Jean Olson, Tammy Salmon-Stephens, Deb Schulman, Terri Burns, Kay Wilkins.

Unable to attend: Lyn Bouck, Carol Sue Butts, Kate Kelley, Alisha Slowey, Katie Gabris

Motion to approve 4/9//08 minutes made by Kay Wilkins. Second by Jean Olson. Motion approved.

Motion to approve today’s agenda made by Terri Burns. Second by Pat Foster. Motional approved.

Today’s recorder – Vickie Dreessens. Thank you to Deirdre Dalsing for recording at our last meeting.

Announcements:
1. There will be a community transgender training in Madison on April 26, 27 and May 3. If interested contact Pat Foster.
2. Deb Schulman reminded everyone that the Women’s Night Out event is tonight. Many new speakers and vendors.
3. Terri Burns reminded everyone about Dave Zierath and Kathy Winz retirement party to be held on May 2 at 4 PM in the Women’s Center. It will also honor Jackie Bodden as friend of the university.

Woman of the Year Awards Update:
Kay reported that 10 nominations were received with 8 individuals deciding to pursue the award. The selection committee has met and nominated Dr. Annie Kimwa-Muzinga as this year’s woman of the year. Jean Olson motioned to accept the nomination. Seconded by Pat Foster. Motion approved. Deirdre will contact Carol Sue regarding notification to Annie as recipient of the award.

Women of the Year Award Timeline:
Further discussion ensued on a time line for both Women of the Year Award and Student of the Year Award. A final draft of the time line will be placed on the S drive by Deirdre Dalsing for all to review. Composition of ad hoc committee for Women/Student of the Year award was discussed. It was recommended that the ad hoc committee select a chair that would be responsible for initiating the timeline and carrying out various duties as specified within the timeline document. The chair would than serve on next year’s committee as a member with experience, but would not serve as chair.
Call for Co-Chairs:
Deirdre’s term will expire at the end of this semester. Call for chair or co-chairs. Discussed possibility of rotating members to chair position. All council members are encouraged to consider taking on this role for next year. A decision will be rendered at our last meeting in May.

Next Meeting:
Final meeting 5/7/08 at 10am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 am.

Respectfully submitted by: Vickie Dreessens