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University Women’s Council Meeting
Wednesday, Nov 25, 2009
11 a.m. PSC Mound Room

In attendance: Dreessens, Schulman, Richardson, Peters, Miyata, Martens, Salmon-Stephens, Ford, Clark, Mroch, Williams, Bouck

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m.

1. Approval of November 11 minutes: Clark moved, Mroch seconded to approve minutes. Discussion: Correct spelling of Salmon-Stephens’ name. Also, correct announcements regarding STEM scholarship to read as follows: “We’ve received $10,000 for Women & STEM scholarship. Also, Peters, Bouck and Salmon-Stephens have received a writing opportunities step grant to write proposals for external grants.” Minutes approved as amended.

2. Salmon-Stephens moved to approve agenda Schulman seconded. Agenda passed.

3. Announcements:
   - Welcome to Evelyn Martens, who is replacing Mat Zelinsky
   - Carol Sue Butts will retire August, 2010.
   - Buttons in response to the racist graffiti are available, as well as pledge cards.
   - Congrats to the volleyball team—they advanced to the NCAA. It was a significant achievement especially for a young team.
   - With the stipend received from WWHEL, a survey will be created for 1st year students. Also, there will be a luncheon. The $500 from WWHEL will go for lunch and the Women’s Council will contribute $100. We will try to discover the perceptions of gender from the perspectives of male and female 1st year students. Mroch indicated that RAs have survey monkey set up—she’ll collaborate with Salmon-Stephens and Schulman on the survey project.
   - We have seasonal flu and H1N1 vaccine available in the health center. Center hours are 11-12 and 3-4. H1N1 is free; Seasonal flu vaccine is $12.00. Encourage students to come.

4. Safety issues: Mroch talked with the RHA advisor. She had the impression that campus security wanted to be in charge of this project, but they do not. RHA in the past has taken the resident hall part of campus with Student Senate covering the academic side. Madison police will train walkers for what to look for on a safety walk. Because the RHA is too busy with other projects now, it was decided that next semester will work better. Clark said Student Senate agrees, next semester would be better. Richardson agrees that next term is better. The Issues & Concerns Committee of RHA will head it up. Mroch will give us an update on the process and progress.

5. Subcommittee for the Celebration of Women event: How big of a committee do we want? What things do we research? Subcommittee will include: Dreessens, Schulman and Mroch.

6. WWHEL: We’ll get a full packet of information from WWHEL when they have all of the information from all participating campuses.

7. Other: Solicitations for Woman of the Year will be discussed at the next meeting. One thing we need to look at on the student evaluation form is the recommendations we request.

Clark moved to adjourn, Mroch seconded. Meeting adjourned 11:30 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Mary Rose Williams