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University Women’s Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 24, 2010
10 a.m. PSC Mound Room

Members in attendance: Dreessens, Burns, Schulman, Martens, Peters, Olson, Bitting, Williams.

Guests: Marquardt, Wilson, McDermott, Bernhardt.

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by the chair after a discussion of the most recent racial incidents in the UW system, including graffiti on 2 BSU officer’s doors in Platteville, and KKK keyed on a car at UW Whitewater.

1. Minutes from November 10, 2010: Olson moved to approve as amended; Burns seconded. Minutes approved as amended.

2. Agenda: Burns moved to approve, Olson seconded. Pre-order discussion of racial incidents were added to the agenda. Agenda approved as amended.

3. Announcements:
   - Rowley is having a faculty against racism rally on November 30 at 1 p.m.
   - Burns will have signs against sexual assault at the rally.
   - Wilson talked to the Chancellor about sex assaults on campus. He is uncomfortable speaking about a case under investigation. If we provide him with ideas, he’ll put something out about it to the community. Deans will help fund the purchase of items for support (wrist bands).
   - Marquardt reported there is 1 on-campus investigation of sexual assault; 1 on campus sex assault not under investigation; 2 off campus sex assaults being investigated. One involves a former student; one involves a current student.
   - There will be a student organized safe walk to determine where lights are needed.

4. Treasurer’s report: no change. We have $2577.00

5. Mascot: Burns reported that Tresevant said the Chancellor has 2 images. The Chancellor will circulate a memo with the images to interested parties, including the Women’s Council, in which he will include the images and the 7 principles guiding the image committee’s choice. Note: a member of that committee indicated that to her knowledge no such principles were provided to the committee during their decision making process.

6. Men’s Council: Marquardt reported the group has written a book grant for a group of male faculty who want to form the mentoring group. The book they have chosen is Boys Adrift. The idea is for the group to gain some knowledge of how to mentor college males.
7. Sexual Assault: The Sexual Assault Awareness Council asked Josh Jasper to propose a training program for all levels—upper administrative, middle-administrators, faculty and staff, and students—on campus. Jasper submitted a bid for $8,000 - $12,000, depending on the various workshops we decide we want. Typically, he trains males on preventing sexual assault in his “By-Stander” intervention program. Then, the trained males go out and train others. Jasper trained with Jackson Katz.

8. Celebration of Women Event: Space is reserved for April 5, 2011. It is the week we will celebrate UW-Platteville. Committees to be formed include: Invitations, Budget, Catering, Program, Publications, Ticket. The appointment of committees will be at the top of the next meeting agenda.

9. Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 8. All should come with ideas for actions to take regarding the sexual assaults. Campus Climate report will be discussed at the meeting.

10. Schulman moved to adjourn; Burns seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Mary Rose Williams