

University Committee on Women

November 13, 2006

Minutes

Present: Eileen Thacker (chair), Dianne Bystrom, Kerry Dixon-Fox, Pat Dobelis, Lauri Dusselier, Chris Fowler, Deborah Larkin, Lisa Orgler, Penny Rice, Calli Sanders, and Sherrie Wolfe.

Guest: Jamie Pollard, Director of Athletics

Eileen Thacker convened the meeting at 11:35 am in 20 Howe Hall. Minutes of the October 9, 2006 meeting were approved as written and will be posted on the committee website.

Announcements

- The College of Business notified the chair that Virginia Blackburn has resigned from UCW and that Jennifer Blackhurst will complete her term and represent the college until June 30, 2008.
- The open forum for Diane Price-Herndl, candidate for Director of Women's Studies is this afternoon, Nov 13 at 3:30 pm in 302 Catt Hall. The chair will attend and others are also encouraged to attend.
- Lynn Sherr is this year's Mary Louise Smith Scholar and will speak on Nov 28 at 7:30 pm in the Memorial Union Sun Room.
- Funding for the leadership summit has been received.

Subcommittee binders

To assist with recordkeeping and continuity of subcommittee work, 3-ring binders were distributed to the chair of each subcommittee for information and use. Each binder contained printed documents and a CD of electronic copies. The binder and CD should be returned to Ruth Birch by June 1, 2007 with records of the subcommittee's work during the year and working papers of benefit to the following year's subcommittee.

January half-day retreat

It was agreed at the last meeting to have a half-day retreat in January for governance review. The chair will contact members to find the most convenient day for the retreat and ask if the 2nd Monday of the month is a convenient monthly meeting time. Low meeting attendance is a concern.

Policy on forwarding emails

Efforts should be made to keep email messages to UCW membership at a minimum to help with problems associated with large volumes of email.

YWCA support

Sherrie Wolfe, Executive Director of YWCA, has asked for UCW support in the Y's efforts to become a Government of the Student Body (GSB) student funded office. The YWCA wants to reaffirm its commitment to making ISU a more inclusive and diverse community and wants GSB to recognize this commitment and the importance of the Y's programming to the entire student body. It was agreed the chair would write a letter of support from UCW before the GSB Nov 15 meeting.

Presentation by Jamie Pollard, Director of Athletics.

Jamie Pollard gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Intercollegiate athletics' compliance with gender equity, diversity and Title IX" which was followed by general group discussion. A copy of the presentation is attached.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Ruth Birch
Secretary