Minutes


Absent (excused): R. Eden, A. Hayes, K. Pitts, D. Ward, A. Westhoff

Absent: C. Mahern, G. Merys

I. Welcome and introductions – Michele Starzyk
   a. Vice Chair Starzyk welcomed the group
   b. Everyone introduced themselves and shared one inspirational women in his/her life

II. History of the committee – Michele Starzyk
   a. Highlights of committee history shared
   b. See website for more details

III. Meeting format – Michele Starzyk
   a. Follow parliamentary procedure
   b. Subcommittee work will be less formal

IV. Approval minutes of the April 5, 2011 meeting – Katie Wadas-Thalken
   a. Tilleman moves to approve. Seconded. Minutes approved

V. Treasurer report - Cindy Fendrick
   a. Balance $5529.02
      i. Does not include University funding for the 2011-2012 budget
      ii. Pending Items: $50 to update MLSE plaque in Skutt, $750 for Summit Scholarships, and $100 for Congo event support = $900 total in pending items
   b. Krajicek asked questions regarding who may still owe the committee money for Summit sponsorship or the luncheon
      i. Fendrick explained the Summit money has been accounted for and a few of the luncheon issues are still being worked out

VI. Eileen B. Lieben Center for Women Report - Lori Durako
   a. Summary of what the Lieben Center does
      i. Programming primarily for undergraduate students
      ii. Important for committee members to help advertise programs to students we may work with
   b. Call for assistance
      i. If you have a specialty area you would be willing to present on or if you would like to help volunteer for the Lieben Center, please let Durako know
         1. She passed around information sheets
   c. Currently hiring for two student internships, programming and marketing
      i. Job descriptions on Jobs4Jays until Friday, August 26th
   d. “Our Voices” women’s reflection blog will start this year
      i. Women invited to share their stories, experiences at Creighton, strengths, struggles, etc.
      ii. Durako will send more information via email
      iii. Let Durako know if you might be interested in posting a blog
   e. Starzyk encouraged committee members to consider signing up for the Lieben Center listserv

VII. New business
   a. Starzyk encouraged committee members to submit agenda items for New Business to Wadas-Thalken prior to future meetings
   b. Special Election, vacancy of chair position – Michele Starzyk
      i. Incoming chair Amanda Lofgren moved to Chicago; need to fill the chair position with her vacancy
ii. Nominations
   1. Starzyk nominated by Krajicek, Furze seconds; Starzyk accepted
iii. Winegard called to question for a hand vote instead of a secret ballot vote
   1. Starzyk unanimously approved via hand vote
c. Vice Chair position now vacated by Starzyk and needs to be filled
   i. Duda asked if students can be nominated
      1. Starzyk explained students cannot be elected because their terms are only one year and this
         is a two year position
   ii. Miller nominated by Branstetter, Miller accepted
   iii. Nownes nominated by Taylor, Nownes accepted
   iv. M. Pierce moved to close nominations
   v. Vote conducted via secret ballot
      1. Miller is the new Vice Chair
d. Internship Opportunity – Cindy Fendrick
   i. Student internship description drafted; intern would assist with the Mary Lucretia and Sarah Emily
      Creighton Award Luncheon
   ii. See attached description
   iii. Tilleman asked how this is different from a student serving on the subcommittee
      1. Fendrick: A more intentional experience for the student and he/she will be held more
         accountable
   iv. Krajicek asked how many students currently serve on the committee
      1. Starzyk: Six
   v. Duda asked how this will fill the leadership transitions the subcommittee is experiencing
      1. Fendrick: Will not necessarily achieve that goal, but rather is part of an effort to get more
         students involved; also helps take the burden of some of the administrative work off of the
         subcommittee chair(s)
   vi. Starzyk suggests to strike Committee on the Status of Women membership from the job description
      1. M. Pierce agreed it would be nice to open to all students
      2. Durako agreed that this would also assist with skill building
      3. Coover moves to strike the requirement of committee membership. Approved unanimously by
         committee.
   vii. Winegard asked that it be made clearer who the intern reports to
      1. Duda and Tilleman agreed
      2. No opposition was given for this revision
   viii. Krajicek asked that the intern be required to attend main committee meetings
   ix. Buchheim asked if student would get academic credit for the internship
      1. Starzyk: It will be up to the student’s academic department to decide this, but the
         subcommittee chair(s) should be willing to provide any feedback that may be required in order
         for the student to get academic credit
   x. The internship was approved unanimously by the committee
   xi. Fendrick will start advertising the opportunity and applications will be due September 19
      1. Wadas-Thalken will put it on the website

VIII. Subcommittees
   a. Email your subcommittee preferences to Wadas-Thalken (kwadas@creighton.edu) in rank order by Friday,
      August 26th
   b. Starzyk summarized each subcommittee
      i. See website for more details

IX. Closing – Starzyk
   a. Thanks for coming! We look forward to a great year.

2011-12 Meeting Dates
All meetings are 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, September 6, Skutt 104
Tuesday, October 4, Skutt 104
Tuesday, November 1, Skutt 104
Tuesday, December 6, Skutt 104
Tuesday, January 10, Skutt 105
Tuesday, February 7, Skutt 104
Tuesday, March 13, Skutt 105
Tuesday, April 3, Skutt 105
Tuesday, May 1, Skutt 105

Save-the-Dates
Mary Lucretia and Sarah Emily Awards Luncheon (February 9, 2012)
2012 CSW Women’s Summit (March 16, 2012)