

**Committee on the Status of Women, Minutes Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2012;  
from 2:00 - 3:00 PM at 718 Gruening Building**

Members Present: Kayt Sunwood, Jane Weber, Nilima Hullavarad, Jenny Liu, Shawn Russell, Diana Di Stefano, Mary Ehrlander, Megan McPhee

Members absent: Ellen Lopez, Derek Sikes, Michelle Bartlett.

Guests: Sine Anahita, Juella Sparks

1) Women Faculty Luncheon – Details and volunteers

Jane Weber reported: Sharon Bird will be the speaker for Women Faculty Luncheon on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 12.30pm- 2.30pm at Wood Center ballroom.

Kayt, Jenny, Nilima and Jane will arrive 11.30am to help setup. Ellen, Nilima, Diane and Jenny will help Jayne Harvie with the invitations.

Discussions on menu change were interesting and it was decided that Mary, Kayt and Jane will finalize the menu and contact food services.

2) Brown Bags – Subcommittee

The first Brown Bags will meet on Tuesday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1.00pm- 2.00pm, Women's Center in the Eielson Bldg. to discuss Sharon Bird's talks.

3) Women's Center/ OMAD AND Salary Data – Sine Anahita

Sine briefed on the closure of Women Center and OMAD. Closure of Women Center indicates lack of respect for shared governance. No shared governance was considered in the decision. Dermit Cole's column on Women's Center appeared in Daily News Miner. OMAD responsibilities have been transferred to Wood Center with no additional staff and the work will be done by the students. The office space where OMAD existed will become Don Foley's, Dean of Students, office. Staff Council and CDAC were not informed on the decision of closing of OMAD and Women's Center. Diversity Award was removed by the chancellor. The outcome on the discussions was: There should be two way communications between the administrators and employees. Focus on communication, because one-way communication or poor communication leads to lack of trust and that creates untrustworthy atmosphere. It was decided to submit a resolution from CSW to faculty senate.

4) Chair/Co-chairs

Jane mentioned that the committee (CSW) will have to decide on the new chairs and co-chairs soon.

5) Semester Meeting Dates

Tuesday afternoon 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Next meetings: Tuesday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday Nov 6, 2:00-3:00pm

Meeting was adjourned at 2.50pm; Respectfully Submitted, Nilima Hullavarad

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