

Committee on the Status of Women, Minutes Tues, Nov 06, 2012; 2:30-3:30 pm,
Gruening 718

Members Present: Jenny Liu, Derek Sikes, Kayt Sunwood, Jane Weber, Nilima
Hullavarad, Ellen Lopez, Shawn Russell, Diana Di Stefano, Mary Ehrlander, Amy Barnsley

Members absent: Megan McPhee

1) Women Center Advisory Board: Chancellor Rogers invited Carol Gold, Megan Carpenter, Don Foley, Brook Gamble, Patty Kastelic, Ellen Lopez, Liza Mack, Cody Rogers and Jane Weber to serve on the new Women's Center Advisory Committee. There is not staff council representative yet. This is both encouraging and exciting. The first meeting will be before December.

2) Rationale for a part-time faculty/administrative position focusing on the issues of women faculty: Written by Carol Gold. Edits were discussed including possible overlap in goals and clarification of distinctions between this position and the UAF office of Equal Opportunity / faculty development. Kayt emphasized the importance that this position come from within / report to the Provost's office. Diana suggested we look at peer institutions that have such a position. Amy and Kayt agreed to do this. Jane emphasized that one of the benefits not currently highlighted in the draft position proposal is that such a position should prevent loss of funds by the university due to non-retention of women faculty. Mary emphasized that deciding on a single goal for the position, such as reduction in non-retention of female faculty, would be ideal. Will revisit this at the next meeting, Dec 4th.

3) CSW Faculty Brown Bag: Next, on "Navigating Differences," is set for Tues, November 20th, 1-2pm. Colorful eye-catching fliers are up throughout campus. A well attended student brown bag held in the Women's Center, on the same topic was held by students inspired by the CSW fliers. Ellen proposed that the Brown Bag committee could meet immediately after the next Brown Bag (2:00-2:30, Nov 20) to plan the next.

Next Meetings - Tues 4 Dec 2012, 2:00-3:00PM

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30; Respectfully Submitted, Derek Sikes

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