Minutes - Commission on the Status of Women: April 13, 2021

Members Present

Paula Hinton Paula Taylor-Greathouse Padmini Veerapen Jac Ewasyshyn Amy Foster Stephanie Adams Cindy Gates Lelia Gibson Mary Kidd Nicole Cook Megan Atkinson Kristen Rainey

Non-Members Present Diana Lalani

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Notified of Absence

Helen Hunt Allen Driggers Shawn Zeringue-Krosnick Ashley Wright Tambra Sweet Robert Owens

Members Absent

Amy McCoy Amy Bosley

Agenda: Stephanie moved approval of the agenda, Jac seconded and the motion was approved.

Minutes: Paula H. moved approval of the February minutes with a correctio, Amy F. seconded, and the motion was approved.

Women's Center Report: Diana summarized recent center activities highlighted upcoming events. A copy of the report is attached.

University Policy Report: Padmini and Megan gave updates on the single-restroom map they compiled.

Programming and Publicity Report: Stephanie updated members and reminded them of the Jes Baker event. A copy of the report is attached.

Safety Report: Lelia shared the Safety Report would be sent to the President's Office in a week.

Treasurer's Report: Paula H. made a motion that up to \$1000 for the 2021 Awards dinner be as a Carry Forward, Stephanie seconded, and the motion carried.

Nominating Committee recommendations: The CSW agreed to discuss the Chair-elect position at the first 2021-2022 meeting. The committee will accept recommendations for the few open positions via email.

Awards Committee recommendations: Paula H. moved to approve the subcommittees recommendations for the 2021 Awards, Kristin seconded, and the motion was approved.

Allocation of remaining funds: Megan moved approval for any remaining funds to be used for promotional materials, Paula H. seconded and the motion passed.

Administrative Council report: Lelia compiled the report and sent it to Dr. Owens.

Announcements: How to respond to Disclosures trainings are being offered by Project AWAKEN.

Adjournment was agreed to at about 4:00.

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DIRECTOR

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

PERIOD

Helen Hunt

Diana Lalani

March 2021

MARCH ROUNDUP

- Center Stage: An Evening with Allyson Hobbs on 3/9 with Dr. Julia Gruber and Multicultural Affairs
- Center Stage: Beverly Gooden #WhyIStayed on 3/24 with Multicultural Affairs and Project AWAKEN
- Prepared TN Tech's first virtual Clothesline Project display which was added to rotating small RUC physical displays daily April 5-9

HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Attend our events. See our full events list at www.tntech.edu/women

Follow us on social media @tntechwomenscenter on Facebook and Instagram.

Attune should be published on our website and social media by the end of the term--check out the digital copy when it comes out!

Jes Baker

Author, speaker, body image and mental health coach, and advocate.



APRIL 13, 6 PM ON ZOOM (RSVP ON OUR WEBSITE)

Solidarity with Survivors

Survivor speak out with survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking



APRIL 14, 7 PM ON ZOOM (EMAIL AWAKEN@TNTECH.EDU TO RSVP)

Programming and Publicity Subcommittee Report April 13, 2021

The Jes Baker Center Stage event will be held via Zoom tonight at 6 p.m. Her topic is The Social Impact of Body Love. Baker was the CSW's submission to Center Stage for Spring 2020 and had to be rescheduled due to the pandemic. Please RSVP using the link in the email that Diana Lalani sent to the CSW on Monday, April 12, 2021.

I have followed up several times, but I still do not have any information about whether or not our proposal for Maya Dusenbery will be funded by Center Stage for March 2022.

The subcommittee met on April 12, 2021 to review the scoring rubrics for the CSW Excellence Award and the Alison Piepmeier Outstanding Student Award. We chose from three applicants for the CSW Award and two applicants for the Piepmeier Award. We would like to present the following winners for the approval of the full CSW:

CSW Excellence Award

Dr. Jeannette Wolak Luna, Associate Professor, Department of Earth Sciences Faculty Senate, President-Elect Panelist and external reviewer for NASA and National Science Foundation grant programs Supervised ~25 Senior Thesis and Profession Science Master's Projects

Alison Piepmeier Outstanding Student Award

Hannah Willis, Graduate Student (M.A. in Education – Psychology Concentration)
Academic Coach & Graduate Assistant in the Accessible Education Center
Student Government Association, Senator for Accessibility
B.S.Ed. – Multidisciplinary Studies, Tennessee Tech, December 2018

Upon approval, winners will be announced in Tech Times and Tech/Women's Center social media. We will plan for an awards luncheon in the fall.

Prior to the subcommittee's first meeting in the fall, I will work on a draft of the procedures and timeline for the CSW and Piepmeier Awards.

-Stephanie Adams, Chair