

## Minutes - Commission on the Status of Women: March 7th, 2023

### **Members Present**

Michelle Estes  
Helen Hunt  
Nicole Cook-Seabold  
Stephanie Adams  
Rufaro Chitiyo  
Sid Bundy  
Cassandra Gronendyke  
Ramona Mayfield  
Julie Stepp  
Cindy Gates  
Erica Bower

Kashmoney Pride  
Lauren Neal  
Hannah Thomas  
Robert Owens

### **Notified of Absence**

Paula Hinton  
Carla Hurt  
Ashley Wright

### **Members Absent**

1. Approval of Agenda was moved by Stephanie Adams, and seconded by Helen Hunt with correction of date. Approved.
2. Approval of minutes from February 2023 meeting with the following corrections moved by Stephanie Adams, seconded by Cindy Gates. Approved:
  - a. C. Hurt changed to Carla Hurt
  - b. Specify in the subcommittee reports section: the “applicant information” is for the CSW awards and the “proposal” is for Center Stage.
3. Women’s Center News: Helen Hunt discussed March events for Women’s History month and encouraged attendance for the remaining events.
4. Treasurer’s Report: Discussion of amount of funds remaining. Nicole Cook-Seabold will check what we have already approved to spend for Attune. Julie Stepp recommended ordering books from Ingram, a resource for educators that provides books for a good discount.
5. Old Business: none
6. New Business:
  - a. Vote to approve CSW award winners: the subcommittee nominated Ann Helman and Lizareign Herrington as the winners. Julie Stepp moved for approval, Ramona Mayfield seconded. Unanimous approval.

- b. Discussion of CSW/WMC joint awards dinner: Lauren Neal, Ramona Mayfield, and Nicole Cook-Seabold have volunteered to help coordinate with the WMC for the banquet planning.
  - c. Discussion of how much money to spend on the awards banquet. The CSW will continue to purchase the award plaques for the CSW awards.
    - i. Motion to provide half the funding up to \$750 for the joint CSW/WMC banquet proposed by Stephanie Adams and seconded by Julie Stepp. Unanimous approval.
7. Subcommittee Reports
- a. Programming and Publicity:
    - i. Covered under new business
  - b. Safety
    - i. Helen Hunt has followed up with Lee Wray but has not received an update.
    - ii. Sid Bundy reports that the University Safety Committee has received some information regarding the craft center but no new updates recently in addition to what we already know.
  - c. University Policy
    - i. Kevin Vedder has agreed via email to place the Parental Leave policy in review starting in the fall.
    - ii. Nicole Cook will follow up again regarding the amnesty policy.
8. Announcements:
- a. Helen Hunt shared that compliance, HR, and student affairs had been in contact with the Women's Center about how to better support pregnant students. HR is currently working on a lactation space resource page and guidelines.
9. Adjournment- moved to adjourn by Sid Bundy, seconded by Paula Hinton.