

## Minutes - Commission on the Status of Women: September 08, 2020

### Members Present

Stephanie Adams  
Megan Atkinson  
Amy Bosley  
Nicole Cook  
Allen Driggers  
Jac Ewasyshyn  
Amy Foster  
Lelia Gibson  
Paula Greathouse  
Helen Hunt  
Mary Kidd  
Kristen Rainey  
Tambra Sweet

Padmini Veerapen  
Mikayla Wood  
Ashley Wright

### Non-Members Present

#### Notified of Absence

Paula Hinton  
Diana Lalani, nonmember  
(Amy agreed to take minutes)

### Members Absent

Amy McCoy  
Shawn Zeringue-Krosnick  
Nicole Williams

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

**Minutes:** Helen moved approval of the April minutes, Megan seconded, and the motion was approved.

**Women's Center News:** Helen summarized center activities and advertised upcoming events. A copy of the written report is attached.

**Membership:** Helen nominated Stephanie Adams for 2021 chair-elect, Megan seconded, and the motion was approved. Lelia recommended Cindy Gates for the position of clerical member. Helen then nominated Cindy, Stephanie seconded, and the motion was approved.

**Financials:** Jac moved to table this section of the agenda until the October meeting, Padmini seconded, and the motion was approved.

**Website:** The President's office controls the content of the CSW's website. Dr. Hunt offered to host a second CSW website on the Women's Center website. Stephanie motioned to have the Programming & Publicity committee look into this once it commences, Megan seconded, and the motion was approved.

**Heating Up the Quad:** Due to COVID-19, Heating Up the Quad will not be happening this term. Individuals are asked to donate to the Tech Food Pantry on their own.

**Awards:** There are plans to host the luncheon during the term, but Programming & Publicity is still looking for a date.

**Subcommittees:** Each subcommittee's purpose was described. Helen brought up the idea to broaden what "safety" means to the committee, and the discussion included things like hosting a women's self-defense class in the new fitness center. Members sent their subcommittee selections to Amy via Chat. Reminder that brief written reports from each subcommittee are due to Diana monthly. The gender-neutral bathroom list still needs to be converted into an official list and map.

**Announcements:** No announcements.

**Adjournment** was agreed to at about 3:40.

# TNTECH WOMEN'S CENTER NEWS

DIRECTOR

Helen Hunt

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Diana Lalani

PERIOD

Summer 2020

## SUMMER ROUNDUP

- Dr. Helen Hunt took over as the Women's Center director starting in June
- The website has been re-vamped (check it out! [tntech.edu/women](http://tntech.edu/women))
- We lost 16% of our operating budget due to cuts
- We participated in the Nashville Public Library's #Bringthebell social media campaign with a series of posts including a video by Provost Bruce
- We celebrated the centennial of Women's Suffrage by participating in the national Forward into the Light campaign by lighting up Centennial plaza in purple and gold the official suffrage colors.
- We've started book club, reading *The Hate U Give*.

## HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Follow us on social media. We're @tntechwomenscenter on Facebook and Instagram

Attend our events! See our full events list at [www.tntech.edu/women](http://www.tntech.edu/women)

Write, or encourage your students to write, articles for *Attune*.

We will be expanding our website more in the coming months. If you have ideas for resources to add or content to cover, please let us know. Same goes for programming (virtual or F2F) you'd like to see.

## UPCOMING SPEAKER

Heather  
Dean

SEPTEMBER 22ND, 7 PM IN  
DERRYBERRY

## UPCOMING CAMPAIGNS

Attune  
Newsletter

IDEAS FOR SUBMISSIONS  
DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15