

Minutes - Commission on the Status of Women: October 04, 2022

Members Present

Stephanie Adams
Nicole Cook
Michelle Estes
Amy Foster
Lelia Gibson
Cassandra Gronendyke
Ramona Mayfield
Lauren Neal
Julie Stepp
Paula Hinton
Helen Hunt
Lindsay Taylor (Jessica Massey proxy)
Rufaro Chitiyo
Marlee miller
Erica Bower
Sid Bundy

Non-Members

Present

Robert Owens
Jordan Dicey

Notified of Absence

Members Absent

Megan Atkinson
Cindy Gates
Savannah Hunter
Amber Lovell
Ashley Wright
Allen Driggers

1. Approval of Agenda: Moved by Leila Gibson and seconded by Helen Hunt. Approved unanimously.
2. Approval of minutes from the September 2022 meeting: Moved by Julie Stepp and seconded by Leila Gibson. Discussion on previous minutes' language about cameras at bike racks which will be proposed by the University Safety Committee on 10/05.
3. Women's Center Updates: Hunt discussed upcoming events, like the film screening of *Sleeping with the Enemy*, the conversation series Women in Leadership luncheon with a speaker from The Biz Foundry, and the WMC's Halloween party when we will be participating in the Tech door decoration contest.
4. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer absent
5. Old Business
 - a. Safety Report: No updates until the next meeting
 - b. Attune Costs: We need more! Yay! Gave out over 50 on preview day alone and they cost about \$5.75 per issue unless there is a deal on larger orders. Stephanie

Adams moved to earmark \$175 per semester (up to \$350 a year) to contribute to the cost of Attunes. Second by Leila Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business

- a. CSW Awards: Adams discussed the different awards and qualifications for newcomers. Discussion on whether CSW awards webpage information should be on the WMC webpage or the CSW site. Concluded it should go on the official committee site with a link on the WMC webpage.
- b. Fashion Show Sponsors: Hunt discussed an evening fundraiser in March after spring break, themed on “surprising things about fashion” (working title). It would be a ticketed event where we focus on de-stigmatizing and de-gendering fashion with a fashion show from the TnTech costume collection. There will be a silent auction to raise money that can go to cover the costs, money for the Women’s Center, and money for future awards. The audience participates in arriving in costumes or their own idea of fashion.
- c. Hunt called for silent auction items- handmade crafts, needlepoint, embroidery, cross-stitch

7. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Programming and Publicity:
 - i. Discussed center stage event 2023 02/23- Ebone Bell- DRBRY Auditorium 7 pm
 - ii. Brainstormed 2024 events
 - iii. Chair- Julie Stepp elected
- b. University Policy:
 - i. No new updates did not meet
- c. Safety
 - i. No new updates did not meet

8. Announcements

- a. Brainwashed Film Screening Oct 18th 3-6 pm plus Q&A with filmmaker, editor
- b. PEP- tie-dying event for national coming out day
- c. Office of Accessible Education film screenings

9. Adjournment

- a. Moved: Julie Stepp
- b. Second: Helen Hunt and Paula Hinton at **3:50**