Women's & Gender Studies Advisory Council (WGSAC)
MINUTES
November 13, 2013
History Conference Room (104 Copeland Hall)

Present: Carrie Kracl, Deb Freedman, Toni Hill, Jeannie Stolzer, Sandra Loughrin (guest), Linda Van Ingen (chair)
Absent: Julie Campbell, Pari Ford, Grace Mims, Susan Honeyman, Tone Mendoza, Monica Mueller, Trish Holen, Jenna Jorgensen (student rep)

Van Ingen called the meeting to order at 4:15pm. Minutes from September 11, 2013 & October 9, 2013 were approved by email and sent to Faculty Senate on 10-28-13

A. Curricular
1. The New Major & New Position: “Women’s, Gender and Ethnic Studies” and the new director position. Van Ingen reported that a job description was drafted and is being reviewed by the Sociology department.

3. Criteria required for elective courses: Members reviewed the approval criteria for WGS courses (last revised 9/07; updated 11/11). No changes were made but members discussed the need to review syllabi for approved courses that have new instructors, since the course approvals are made per instructor.

4. New courses for review:
   - ENG 425 “Children’s Literature” (Michelle Beissel Heath). Members suggested that instructor clarify in course objectives that gender analysis is part of the course (as clearly indicated in instructor’s email description of the course).
   - PSCI 388 “GS Capstone: Politics of Love” (Peter Longo). Members noted that gender and/or women are not a significant part of the course as the course focuses mostly on politics of love and political theory of good governance, conflict resolution and collective action for problem solving.

5. Course list: Van Ingen will produce a list of courses for spring, summer and fall but asked for suggestions on how to best distribute it. Members thought the webpage was most important and that e-campus could be helpful with their media outreach staff, especially as we have more on-line courses in our collaboration with UNO. Van Ingen will work on updating the Web page and will look into what e-campus has to offer.

6. Library: reminder for book titles – please send them to Van Ingen or Mendoza.

B. Budget: Van Ingen reported on the success of Amber Lewis’s trip to AAUW conference on teaching WGE classes in high schools.

C. Co-Curricular: discussion of the No Limits conference and other co-curricular activities was tabled to next meeting.
   - No Limits 2014 at UNK in Kearney: March 7 (Friday; one day) in Ponderosa Rooms. The CFP is out; due date for abstracts is February 7, 2014.
   - Triota
   - QSA
   - OMA
   - Women’s Center
   - WGS Affiliated Faculty

The meeting adjourned at 5pm (Stolzer/Freedman).

The next meeting is on December 11, 2013 at 4:15pm.