Women’s & Gender Studies Advisory Council (WGSAC)

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December 11, 2013
History Conference Room (104 Copeland Hall)

Present: Julie Campbell, Susan Honeyman, Deb Freedman, Toni Hill, Jeanne Stolzer, Monica Mueller, Sandra Loughrin (guest), Linda Van Ingen (chair)

Absent: Pari Ford, Grace Mims, Carrie Kracl, Tone Mendoza, Trish Holen, Amber Lewis, Jenna Jorgensen (student Rep).

Van Ingen called the meeting to order at 4:15pm.

A. Curricular
1. The New Major & New Position: Van Ingen reported that all was still in progress; Members discussed inviting the Ethnic Studies Advisory Board to join us next semester.

2. New courses for review:
ENG 425 “Children’s Literature” (Michelle Breissel Heath). Gender has been added to course objectives. Members also noted that this course taught by other instructors (such as by Honeyman) will also be included as an approved elective for WGS, but each syllabus should be reviewed. Honeyman will submit her syllabus to the Board for review. Members approved this course as an elective (Stolzer/Campbell).

3. Course list for Spring 2014, Summer 2014 and Fall 2015 will be distributed.

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

B. Budget: Van Ingen is expecting administrative support for the No Limits conference, for the speaker and Chartwells.

C. Co-Curricular: 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.

1. Volunteers to help run the conference:
   Board members volunteered for the following:
   Moderators:
   Morning session (9:30): Freedman
   Afternoon sessions: Loughrin, Honeyman, Hill
   Open: Lewis
   Others: -- will also request volunteers from other campuses
   Panel organizers/titles: Stolzer and Hill
   Hotel block reservation: Mueller
   List of things to do in Kearney: Freedman
   Pre-Registration process: Van Ingen
   Chartwells: Van Ingen
   Posters/Flyers: Van Ingen

2. Theme “Intersectionality: Gender, Race and Class.”
   i. Keynote speaker confirmed: Dr. Shireen Roshanravan (WS faculty at Kansas State; critical race theory & intersectionality of race/sexuality/gender)

3. Conference schedule:
   8-9:30am Registration (coffee, rolls, fruit)
   9:30-10:50 Session #1 (4 panels of 3 students possible; 4 sessions = 48 presenters)
   11-12 noon Keynote Speaker Dr. Roshanravan
12-12:45 Lunch (complimentary for presenters and pre-registered; in Sandhills Room)
1:20 Session #2
2:30-3:50 Session #3
3:50-4:10 Poster Session (coffee, cookies, fruit) [tables available in NSU; will need setup]
4:10-5:30 Session #4
5:30pm Closing Reception

4. Check-list of things to consider:
   o Large middle room:
     ▪ Poster session in large middle room.
     ▪ Info tables with materials related to WGS? (Triota, QSA, WCtr, SAFECtr, PFLAG, Sister-to-Sister, Social Justice, Amnesty Int'l etc.)
     ▪ Art work?
     ▪ Keynote in large middle room?
     ▪ Other ideas for this space?
   o Posters and postcards
   o Email list
   o Pre-registration process
   o Setting up the panels
   o faculty moderators
   o Hotels – block some rooms for Thurs and Fri nights
   o Make/print a program
   o Help at the conference – registrations, moderators, hosting (students, faculty)
   o Chartwells – am coffee/rolls; pm coffee/snack; lunch – complimentary?
     Vegetarian/GF?!
   o Things to do in Kearney – list of restaurants, tourist spots, Sandhill Cranes?
   o Other ideas??

D. Other Co-Curricular:
   Women's Center: a handout was distributed with the following events:
   January 15: “Respect 2 All” on dating violence; 8:30-10pm for TAs/RAs/Student leaders;
   January 29: Stalking Awareness Panel, NSU 310, 5-6pm
   February 26: Eating Disorder Panel, 4-5pm, Ponderosa Room
   April 2: Response Ability (to negative/unhealthy behaviors) by Mike Dilbeck, 6-9pm, Ponderosa
   April 10: Take Back the Night TBTN, 7-11pm, with James Landrith (survivor), Ponderosa Room

   Triota: is planning a viewing of the documentary Miss-Representation in January. Is also co-sponsoring TBTN
   QSA: is also co-sponsoring TBTN
   OMA: Sister-to-Sister is planning events for Women’s History Month in March.

The meeting adjourned at 5pm (Freedman/Honeyman)