

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

### **Members Present**

Helen Hunt  
Nicole Cook-Seabold  
Amy Foster  
Michelle Estes  
Cindy Gates  
Sid Bundy  
Paula Hinton  
Rufaro A Chitiyo  
Cassandra Gronendyke  
Stephanie Adams  
Lauren Neal  
Ramona Mayfield  
Erica Bower  
Julie Stepp  
Carla Hurt  
Marlee

### **Non-Members Present**

Jordan Dicey

### **Notified of Absence**

Ashley Wright  
Aislynn Martin

### **Members Absent**

Robert Owens

Before business commences, we will have introductions.

1. Approval of Agenda was moved by Julie Stepp, and seconded by Steph Adams with correction of date. Approved.
2. Approval of minutes from January 2023 meeting: Motioned Julie Stepp, seconded by Helen Hunt. Approved. (Stephanie Adams abstained from vote)
3. Women's Center News: Helen discussed WMC first book club meeting of Savala Nolan's book, whom is also coming to do a writing workshop and separate formal talk in March. Valentines day we will be in the RUC Lobby tabling for One Billion Rising with the fraternity Kappa Alpha here at Tech. Handing out candy, information on dating violence, and making buttons! Tomorrow is our second Women in Leadership conversation series focusing on making moves mid-career with panelists within Tech's academia.
4. Treasurer's Report: No new updates.

5. Old Business:

a. Amnesty Policy

- i. Still in holding but no further action needed on our part.

i. New Business

- a. Membership: Lost Leila and Aislynn, needing to replace these members. Possibly also another student, Diana. Recommendations were sent to Nicole in the meeting chat. Executive decision will be made by Executive committee in regards to replacing Diana.

j. Subcommittee Reports

a. Programming and Publicity

- i. Waiting for applicant information for their packets and hearing back about next year's proposal approval.

b. Safety

- i. No new updates- going to follow up with Lee about the December meeting.

c. University Policy

- i. Parental leave policy: going to be reaching out to HR  
ii. Bereavement policy: website had an update in language insinuating it has been recently updated. Will be reaching out as well for updates.

k. Announcements:

- a. Julie Stepp: The Board of Trustees is looking for a new faculty member with currently zero applicants.  
b. Nicole: Anthony Ray Hinton is coming to speak tonight at Tech.

l. Adjournment- moved to adjourn by Paula Hinton, seconded by Sid Bundy.