

Minutes - Commission on the Status of Women: January 18, 2022

Members Present

Stephanie Adams
Erica Bower
Nicole Cook
Allen Driggers
Michelle Estes
Amy Foster
Cindy Gates
Lelia Gibson
Cassandra Gronendyke
Paula Hinton
Helen Hunt
Savannah Hunter
Amber Lovell
Ramona Mayfield

Lauren Neal
Julie Stepp
Ashley Wright

Non-Members Present

Diana Lalani

Notified of Absence

Megan Atkinson
Robert Owens

Members Absent

Halle Ford
Niya Sparks

Agenda: Paula moved approval of the agenda, Amy seconded, and the motion was approved.

Minutes: Julie moved approval of the January minutes, Allen seconded, and the motion passed.

Membership: Stephanie informed the group that Mari Ramler is no longer able to serve on the commission.

Women's Center Report: Helen reported on the success of the first annual Period Poverty drive, announced this semester's Book Club book, *The Gilded Ones*, and thanked Julie for her contribution to *Attune* last semester. She asked for another CSW guest writer for the upcoming edition and Nicole expressed interest.

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie reported the current account balance is \$1,500.00. She noted most will likely be spent for the Awards dinner.

University Policy Report: Helen updated the committee on the Chosen Name Policy, currently called the "Preferred Name" in D2L. The committee plans to share their recommendations with Dr. Polk-Johnson. Lelia and Stephanie requested the policy be circulated to the committee for approval beforehand. The policy should include employees and be sent to HR. Cassandra has begun to investigate the Sick Leave Bank.

Safety Report: No report.

Programming & Publicity Report: Lelia informed members Ebone Bell was proposed to Center Stage and that the Women's Center and Multicultural Affairs have agreed to cosponsor. She reminded members that 2022 Award nominations packets are due on 2/25.

Status of 2022 - 2023 Center Stage Proposals: Center Stage has not yet announced funding awards.

2022 Awards Dinner Plans: Lelia reported she is looking into a date, preferably the beginning of April.

Announcements: Amber announced that SGA passed her Family Restrooms Bill and she will send a copy of it to the commission.

Adjournment was agreed to at about 3:55.